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In the FIFTY-EIGHTH YEAR of the Reign of

QUEEN VICTORIA,

To SEPTEMBER the 5th, 1895,

In the FIFTY-NINTH YEAR of the Reign of

QUEEN VICTORIA.

SESSION I.—February 5th to July 6th, 1895;

AND

SESSION II.—August 12th to September 5th, 1895.

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By The QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA R.

WHEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to *Saturday* the Tenth day of *November* next: We, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, hereby issue Our Royal Proclamation, and publish and declare that the said Parliament be further prorogued to *Thursday* the Twentieth day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and Ninety-four.

Given at Our Court at *Balmoral*, this Fifteenth day of *October*, in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Ninety-four, and in the Fifty-eighth Year of Our Reign.

GOD save The QUEEN.

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A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA R.

WHEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to *Thursday* the Twentieth day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and Ninety-four: We, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, hereby issue Our Royal Proclamation, and publish and declare that the said Parliament be further prorogued to *Tuesday* the Fifth day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and Ninety-five; and We do hereby further, with the Advice aforesaid, declare Our Royal Will and Pleasure that the said Parliament shall, on the said *Tuesday* the Fifth day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and Ninety-five, assemble and be holden for the despatch of divers urgent and important Affairs; And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs, of the House of Commons, are hereby required and commanded to give their Attendance accordingly, at *Westminster*, on the said *Tuesday* the Fifth day of *February* One thousand eight hundred and Ninety-five.

Given at Our Court at *Windsor*, this Twelfth day of *December*, in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Ninety-four, and in the Fifty-eighth Year of Our Reign.

GOD save The QUEEN.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Session 1895.

Tuesday, 5th February, 1895.

PRAYERS at half-an-hour after One of the clock.

Message to attend the Lords Commissioners.

A MESSAGE was delivered by *Thomas D. Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod.

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Writs issued in the Recess.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at a quarter of an hour before Four of the clock; and acquainted the House, That, in pursuance of the directions of the Acts passed in the 24th year of His Majesty King *George* the Third, c. 26, and in the 21st and 22nd years of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, c. 110, and in the 26th year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, c. 20, he had issued Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out new Writs for the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament,

For the Borough of *Birkenhead*, in the room of *Arnold Allan Cecil Keppel*, commonly called Viscount *Bury*, called up to the House of Peers.

For the County of *Sutherland*, in the room of *Angus Sutherland*, Esquire, Chairman of the Fishery Board for *Scotland*.

For the County of *Forfar*, in the room of Sir *John Rigby*, Knight, Lord Justice of Appeal.

For the City of *York*, in the room of *Frank Lockwood*, Esquire, Q.C., Her Majesty's Solicitor General.

For the County of *Lincoln*, North *Lindsey*, or *Brigg* Division, in the room of *Samuel Danks Waddy*, Esquire, Q.C., Recorder of the City of *Sheffield*.

For the County of *Worcester*, Southern or *Evesham* Division, in the room of Sir *Edmund Anthony Harley Lechmere*, Baronet, deceased.

Paddington Borough (South Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Paddington*, Southern Division, in the room of the Right Honourable *Randolph Henry Spencer Churchill*, commonly called Lord *Randolph Churchill*, deceased.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

Elections.

Ordered, That all Members who are returned for two or more places in any part of the United Kingdom do make their election for which of the places they will serve, within one week after it shall appear that there is no question upon the Return for that place; and if anything shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate; and that all Members returned upon double Returns do withdraw till their Returns are determined.

Resolved, That no Peer of the Realm, except such Peers of *Ireland* as shall for the time being be actually elected, and shall not have declined to serve, for any County, City, or Borough of *Great Britain*, hath any right to give his vote in the Election of any Member to serve in Parliament.

Resolved, That it is a high infringement of the liberties and privileges of the Commons of the United Kingdom for any Lord of Parliament, or other Peer or Prelate, not being a Peer of *Ireland* at the time elected, and not having declined to serve for any County, City, or Borough of *Great Britain*, to concern himself in the Election of Members to serve for the Commons in Parliament, except only any Peer of *Ireland*, at such Elections in *Great Britain* respectively where such Peer shall appear as a Candidate, or by himself, or any others, be proposed to be elected; or for any Lord Lieutenant or Governor of any County to avail himself of any authority derived from his Commission, to influence the Election of any Member to serve for the Commons in Parliament.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House

House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

Witnesses.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been tampering with any Witness, in respect of his evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly hath endeavoured to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving evidence, the same is declared to be a high crime and misdemeanour; and this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath given false evidence in any case before this House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Metropolitan Police.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Police of the Metropolis do take care that, during the Session of Parliament, the passages through the Streets leading to this House be kept free and open, and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, and that no disorder be allowed in *Westminster Hall*, or in the passages leading to this House, during the sitting of Parliament, and that there be no annoyance therein or thereabouts; and that the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioners aforesaid.

Votes and Proceedings.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Privileges.

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

Outlawries Bill.

A Bill for the more effectual preventing Clandestine Outlawries, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Journal.

Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index thereto, be printed.

Ordered, That 750 Copies of the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir *Reginald Francis Douce Palgrave*, K.C.B., the Clerk of this House.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by such Person as shall be licensed by Mr. Speaker, and that no other Person do presume to print the same.

Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Acts, 1887 and 1891.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Number of Fairs, Markets, and Auction Marts in respect of which Orders of Exemption have been made in *Scotland* by the Board of Agriculture, and showing the Dates of the making of such Orders and the Periods of Exemptions respectively.

Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887 and 1891, and Merchandise Marks (Prosecutions) Act, 1894.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations made by the Board of Agriculture, with the concurrence of the Lord Chancellor, pursuant to Section 1 of the Merchandise Marks (Prosecutions) Act, 1894, with regard to the Prosecution of Offences under the Merchandise Marks Act, 1887, relating to Agricultural or Horticultural Produce, dated 27th October 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

East India (Indian Tariff Act and the Cotton Duties.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers relating to the *Indian* Tariff Act and the Cotton Duties, 1894.

East India (Examinations for the Civil Service.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations for the Examination and Training of Candidates for the Civil Service of *India*.

East India (Loans raised in England.)

Return of all Loans raised in *England* under the provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable on the Revenues of *India*, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 30th September 1894, with the Rates of Interest and Total Amount payable thereon, and the Date of the termination of each Loan, the Debt incurred during the half-year, the Moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the Purpose or Service for which Moneys have been raised during the half-year.

East India (Loans raised in India.)

Return of all Loans raised in *India* chargeable on the Revenues of *India*, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 30th September 1894, with the Rates of Interest and Total Amount payable thereon, and the Date of the Termination of each Loan, the Debt incurred during the half-year, the Moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the Purpose or Service for which Moneys have been raised during the half-year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Railway Accidents Returns.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee appointed by the Board of Trade on the 9th April 1894, for the purpose of considering the Returns of Railway Accidents and Casualties compiled by the Board of Trade, and reporting whether any improvement is possible in the shape in which the information is supplied by the Railway Companies and tabulated by the Board of Trade.

Wages and Effects of Deceased Seamen.

Account of the Sums received and paid for the Wages and Effects of Deceased Seamen from the 1st April 1893 to the 31st March 1894.

Ramsgate Harbour.

Mr. *Bryce* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—*Ramsgate* Harbour—Copy of Statement of the Receipts and Payments made by the Board of Trade, for the year ended 31st March 1894, together with an Account of the Receipts and Issue of Stores.

Lighthouses Abroad.

Account showing the Dues received, and Expenditure incurred, in the Construction, Repair, and Maintenance of Lighthouses in *British* Possessions Abroad, during the year 1893–94, prepared in pursuance of "The Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1855" (18 & 19 *Vic.* c. 91, s. 8).

Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders and Transmission of Wages.)

Account of all Deposits received and repaid by the Board of Trade, under the authority of the Seamen's Savings Bank Act, 1856, during the year ended 20th November 1893, and of the Interest thereon:——Also, Statement showing the Number and Amount of Seamen's Money Orders issued and paid at Ports in the United Kingdom and at Ports Abroad, from 1855 to 31st March 1894:——Also, Statement showing the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Transmission of Seamen's Wages from 1878 to 31st March 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr.

Army (Medical Department.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Army Medical Department for the Year 1893, Vol. XXXV.

Army (Militia Training Establishment.)

Copy of Return showing the Establishment of each Regiment of Militia in the United Kingdom; and the Numbers Present, Absent, and Wanting to Complete; and the Number of Militia Reserve Men Enrolled and Effective at the Training of 1894.

Army (Yeomanry Cavalry.)

Copy of Training Return of the Yeomanry Cavalry for 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Cab Service of the Metropolis.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the Cab Service of the Metropolis appointed by the Home Secretary, with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.

Factory Statistics.

Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee relating to Factory Statistics.

Mines and Minerals (Statistics.)

Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee on Mining and Mineral Statistics.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Lunacy (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Supplement to the Thirty-sixth Annual Report of the General Board of Commissioners in Lunacy for *Scotland* for 1894, being a Report on the alleged increasing prevalence of Insanity in *Scotland*.

Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1867 (Cholera Regulations.)

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order by the Secretary for *Scotland* continuing for a further period of Six Months the Order putting in force Part III. of "The Public Health (*Scotland*) Act, 1867," relating to Cholera Regulations.

University of Edinburgh.

Copy of Report on the State of the Finances of the University of *Edinburgh*, made by the University Court of the said University to the Secretary for *Scotland*, in terms of the 30th section of "The Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889," for the year ending 31st August 1894.

University of Edinburgh.

Copy of Report as to Statistics by the University Court of the University of *Edinburgh* to the Secretary for *Scotland*, under Section 30 of the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, for the Academical Year from 1st October 1893 to 30th September 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

South Africa.

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of *Swaziland* (in continuation of [C. 7212], Session 1893-94).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Post Office (Parcel Post.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command.—Copy of Agreement between the *British* and *German* Post Offices concerning the Exchange of Parcels by Parcel Post.

Post Office (Parcel Post with France.)

Copy of Agreement concerning the Exchange of Postal Parcels between the Post Office of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* and the Post Office of *France*.

Meteorology.

Copy of Report of the Meteorological Council to the Royal Society for the year ending 31st March 1894.

Mercantile Marine Fund Account.

Sir *John Hibbert* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 3rd December 1894, declaring that the Treasury Minute of the 3rd December 1889, which directed that the Mercantile Marine Fund Account should no longer be prepared and laid before Parliament as a separate Paper, applies to the Returns prescribed by Section 679 (2) of The Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Income Tax.

Copy of Treasury Warrant, dated the 3rd September 1894, appointing *Henry Western Page Phillips*, Esquire, to be a Special Commissioner of Income Tax.

Bank of England.

Copy of Return of the Amount of Notes issued more than Forty years which have not been presented for payment and which have been written off from the Total Amount of Notes issued from the Issue Department of the Bank of *England*, pursuant to "The Bank Act, 1892."

Imperial Ottoman Guaranteed Loan of 1855.

Account of the Imperial *Ottoman* Guaranteed Loan of 1855, for the year 1894, prepared under the Act 18 and 19 *Vict.* c. 99, s. 3.

Greek Loan.

Account of the Moneys paid out of the Consolidated Fund, under the Acts 2 & 3 *Will.* 4, c. 121, and 6 & 7 *Will.* 4, c. 94, for Interest and Sinking Fund on that part of the *Greek* Loan which is guaranteed by this Country under the authority of the said Acts, and of the Amount repaid by the *Greek* Government on account of the same, up to the 31st December 1894.

Sardinian Loan.

Account of the Total Sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund, and advanced to His Majesty the King of *Sardinia*, by virtue of the Acts 18 *Vict.* c. 17, and 19 & 20 *Vict.* c. 39; and also the Sums received to the 31st December 1894, for Interest and Sinking Fund thereof.

Superannuations.

Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated respectively the 24th November and 30th December 1894, declaring that for the due and efficient discharge of the duties (1) of the Office of Electrical Adviser to the Board of Trade; and (2) of the Keeper of the Land Revenue Records as they were understood in 1865, Professional Qualifications not ordinarily to be acquired in the Public Service are required.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Copies of Treasury Minutes, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, declaring that the undermentioned Persons were appointed to the Offices set against their names without a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Heads of their Departments, *viz.*:—

P. W. Kennedy, Registrar, National Gallery of *Ireland*, dated 25th August 1894;

John Field, Labourer, Royal Gun Factory, War Department, dated 31st August 1894;

William Quick, Boatman, Customs, dated 26th September 1894;

Sir *Alfred Sandison*, Dragoman to Embassy, *Constantinople*, Foreign Office, dated 25th October 1894;

Henry Brand, Fitter, Royal Gun Factory, dated 26th October 1894;

Henry Harman, Labourer, Royal Laboratory, dated 13th November 1894;

Josiah Nicholson and *William Treverton*, Officers of Ordnance Vessels, War Office, dated 19th January 1895.

Superannuation Act, 1887.

Copies of Treasury Minutes, under the Superannuation Act, 1887, granting a Retired Allowance to each of the following persons:—

Mr. *M. H. Jay*, Second Division Clerk in the Department of the Accountant General of the Navy, Admiralty, dated 28th August 1894;

Mr. *Thomas Eaton Allen*, late a Clerk of the Third Class in the Principal Probate Registry, Probate Division of High Court of Justice, dated 31st August 1894;

Frederick Henry Scotchmer, late a Clerk in the Savings Bank Department, General Post Office, dated 16th October 1894;

Frederick Charles Potter, late Storekeeper at *Knutsford* Prison, Department of Prisons, *England*, dated 7th December 1894;

Henry Thorpe, Second Division Clerk in the Department of the Admiral Superintendent of Naval Reserves, Admiralty, dated 18th January 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Agrarian Outrages (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Returns of the Number of Agrarian Outrages, which were reported to the Inspector General of the Royal *Irish* Constabulary, during the Quarters ended 30th September and 31st December 1894.

Evictions (Ireland.)

Copies of Returns of the Number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings in *Ireland* which have come to the knowledge of the Royal *Irish* Constabulary; and also the Number of Tenancies determined in the Quarters ended 30th September and 31st December 1894, showing—

Table I. Actual Evictions under the provisions of the Land Law Act, 1887, and under other Processes of Law.

Table II. The Number of Tenancies determined under Section 7 of the Land Law Act, 1887, and under other Processes of Law.

Table III. The Number of Evictions not at suit of the Landlord for Debt, Foreclosure of Mortgage, &c.

Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices.)

Copies of Returns under Section 7 of the Land Law (*Ireland*) Act, 1887, of the Number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in *Ireland* during the Quarters ended 30th September and 31st December 1894.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Time Table of Intermediate Examinations in *Ireland* for 1895, dated 30th November 1894.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Copy of Two Rules made by the Intermediate Education Board for *Ireland*, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, under "The Intermediate Education (*Ireland*) Act, 1878," dated 27th July and 6th September 1894 respectively.

Irish Education Acts, 1892 and 1893.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 28th January 1895, making Rules for the Regulation of the Procedure under the *Irish* Education Acts, 1892 and 1893.

Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Act, 1888.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 26th October 1894, adding the County of *Kerry* to the District assigned to the *Cork* Local Bankruptcy Court.

Pharmacy Acts (Ireland).

Copy of Order in Council, dated, 26th October 1894, under "The Pharmacy Acts (*Ireland*)," 1875 and 1890, approving of Regulations made by the Pharmaceutical Society of *Ireland*.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act, 1877.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 3rd November 1894, under the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act, 1877, giving effect to additional Rules for the Supreme Court in *Ireland*.

Winter Assizes (Ireland.)

Copies of Four Orders in Council, dated 3rd November 1894, made by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council of *Ireland*, for the holding of Winter Assizes at certain places in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 21, 1894.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Declaration between *Great Britain* and *Greece* respecting Trade Marks, Industrial Designs and Patterns. Signed at *Athens*, 27th July 1894.

Treaty Series (No. 22, 1894.)

Copy of Commercial Convention between *Great Britain* and *Roumania*; signed at *Bucharest*, 13th August 1892; Ratifications exchanged at *Bucharest*, 31st January 1893; with a List of *British* Colonies which have acceded thereto under Article IV.

Treaty Series (No. 23, 1894.)

Copy of Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between *Great Britain* and *Japan*. Signed at *London*, 16th July 1894, Ratifications exchanged at *Tokio*, 25th August 1894.

Treaty Series (No. 24, 1894.)

Copy of the Accession of *Lichtenstein* to the International Sanitary Convention, signed at *Dresden*, 15th April 1893; 20th September 1894.

Treaty Series (No. 25, 1894.)

Copy of the Accession of *Denmark* to the Industrial Property Convention of 20th March 1883; 1st October 1894.

Treaty Series (No. 26, 1894.)

Copy of the Withdrawal of *Guatemala* from the Industrial Property Convention of 20th March 1883.

Treaty Series (No. 1, 1895.)

Copy of the Accession of the *Orange* Free State to the General Act of the *Brussels* Conference of 2nd July 1890, 3rd August 1894.

Nationality and Naturalization (Miscellaneous, No. 1, 1895.)

Copy of Report from Her Majesty's Minister at *Stockholm*, inclosing a Translation of the *Swedish* Law on Nationality and Domicile of 1st October 1894 (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 1, 1894).

Nationality and Naturalization (Miscellaneous, No. 2, 1895.)

Copy of Report from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires in *Persia*, inclosing a Translation of a *Persian* Act respecting Nationality and Naturalisation (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 1, 1895).

Bucharest.

Copy of Correspondence, 1891, between the Foreign Office and the Treasury respecting the raising of *Bucharest* to the rank of a First Class Mission.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Lunacy.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—(1.) Copy of Return to the Lord Chancellor, under the 53rd *Vic.* c. 5, s. 162, of the Number of Visits made, and the Number of Patients seen, by the several Commissioners in Lunacy, during the Six Months ending on the 30th June 1894.

Supreme Court (Finance Act, 1894.)

(2.) Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court regulating Proceedings in Appeals under the Finance Act, 1894, s. 10.

Supreme Court (Local Government Act, 1894.)

(3.) Copies of Rules of the Supreme Court under the Local Government Act, 1894.

Supreme Court (Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.)

(4.) Copy of Rules of the Supreme Court (Merchant Shipping), 1894.

Church Temporalities (Ireland.)

(5.) Copy of Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General upon the Account of the *Irish* Land Commission in respect of Church Temporalities in *Ireland*, for the year ended 31st March 1894, together with the Account for the above period, and that from 26th July 1869 (the Date of the *Irish* Church Act) to the 31st March 1894.

Irish Land Commission (Account.)

(6.) Copy of Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General upon the Account of the *Irish* Land Commission for the year ended 31st March 1894, together with the Account for the above period, and that from 22nd August 1881 to 31st March 1894.

House of Commons Accommodation, 1894. No. 1.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statement of the Alterations which have been carried out in accordance with the Recommendations of a Select Committee of this House.

Mr. *Herbert Gladstone* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Alien Immigration. No. 2.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Returns of the Number of Aliens that arrived from the Continent at Ports in the United Kingdom in each month of the year 1895.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered,

Trade and Navigation. No. 3.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom for each Month during the year 1895.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Civil Contingencies Fund, 1893-94. No. 4.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Accounts showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1894; (2) the Distribution of the Capital of the Fund at the commencement and close of the year; together with the Correspondence with the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker reports Her Majesty's Speech.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been at the House of Peers, at the desire of the Lords Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal for holding this present Parliament, and that the Lord High Chancellor, being one of the said Commissioners, delivered Her Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament in pursuance of Her Majesty's Commands, and of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a Copy; which he read to the House, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

My relations with Foreign Powers remain on a friendly and satisfactory footing.

An Agreement has been concluded, after protracted negotiations, between My Government and that of the *French* Republic for the settlement of the frontier between My Colony of *Sierra Leone* and the neighbouring *French* possessions.

I regret to say that the war between *China* and *Japan* still continues. I have maintained a close and cordial understanding with the Powers interested in those regions, and shall lose no favourable opportunity of promoting a peaceful termination of the contest.

In consequence of reports which reached My Government of excesses committed by *Turkish* troops, regular or irregular, on *Armenians* in a district of *Asia Minor*, I thought it right, in conjunction with other Powers, to make representations to the Porte. The Sultan has declared his intention of severely punishing any of his officers or soldiers who have been guilty of such acts, and has sent a Commission to conduct an investigation on the spot. Delegates from the Powers which have Consuls at *Erzeroum* will accompany this Commission.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The Estimates for the year will be laid before you without delay.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

I am happy to observe the striking fact that in *Ireland* offences of all kinds against the Law have sunk during the past year to the lowest level hitherto marked in official records.

Proposals will be submitted to you for remedying defects which experience has brought to light in the working of the Law of Landlord and Tenant in *Ireland*; and for dealing with certain evicted tenants, whose situation still constitutes a peril to social order.

A Bill will be presented to you dealing with the Church Establishment in *Wales*.

Bills will also be laid before you having for their object the popular control of the Liquor Traffic; the abolition of Plural Voting; and provision for the payment of the charges of the Returning Officers at Elections.

The Commission which I issued in 1893 to report on the best means of unifying the government of the Metropolis has presented its Report, and a Bill will be laid before you founded on its recommendations.

I regret that agriculture continues in a seriously depressed condition. This subject is still under the consideration of the Commission which I appointed in the autumn of 1893. In the meantime, a proposal will be submitted to you for facilitating the construction of Light Railways, a measure which will, I trust, be found beneficial to the rural districts.

Bills will also be presented for the promotion of conciliation in trade disputes, and for the amendment of the Factory Acts.

You will be asked to consider measures for the completion of the system of County Government in *Scotland*, and for further legislation in respect of the Crofter population in that Country.

I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your arduous and responsible labours.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

Customs Union.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "And we desire humbly to represent to "Your Majesty that steps should be taken to "remove any statutory or treaty obstacles stand "ing in the way of any arrangement which may "be desired in the direction of a Customs Union "between the different parts of the *British* "Empire"—(Colonel *Howard Vincent*);

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 6th February, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Education (Science and Art Department.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Calendar, History, and General Summary of Regulations of the Department of Science and Art for the year 1895 (with Tables).

Technical Instruction Act, 1889.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Minutes by the Right Honourable the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable

Privy Council on Education under the Technical Instruction Act, 1889, sanctioning the Subjects to be taught under Clause 8 of the Act for the following Counties, Boroughs, &c.:—

Bedfordshire (Fourth Minute), dated 15th September 1894;
Belfast (Second Minute), dated 14th September 1894;
Cornwall (Fifth Minute), dated 30th November 1894;
Galway (*Ireland*), dated 8th December 1894;
Galway Union (*Ireland*). dated 8th December 1894;
Glamorgan (Third Minute), dated 10th December 1894;
Gloucester (Fourth Minute), dated 27th September 1894;
Grimsby (Second Minute), dated 29th October 1894;
Hereford (Second Minute), dated 29th August 1894;
Oldham (Second Minute), dated 18th September 1894;
Shropshire (Third Minute), dated 15th November 1894;
Soke of Peterborough (Fifth Minute), 24th August 1894;
Southampton (Fifth Minute), dated 24th August 1894;
Surrey (Sixth Minute), dated 1st September 1894;
Wiltshire (Sixth Minute), dated 22nd August 1894;
Wiltshire (Seventh Minute), dated 8th November 1894;
Wiltshire (Eighth Minute), dated 21st November 1894.

Technical Instruction Amendment (Scotland) Act, 1892.

Copies of Minutes by the Right Honourable the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on Education sanctioning the Subjects to be taught under Section 4 of the Technical Instruction Amendment (*Scotland*) Act, 1892, for the following Counties:—

Aberdeen, dated 9th January 1895;
Dumfries, dated 23rd September 1894;
Haddington, dated 12th December 1894;
Kincardine, dated 28th November 1894;
Perthshire, dated 27th October 1894.

Dockyards Ports Regulation Act, 1865.

Copies of Two Orders in Council, dated 12th December 1894 (1) further amending the Regulations made by Order in Council of 15th August 1890, relating to the Dockyard Port of *Plymouth*, and (2) amending the Regulations made by Order in Council of 22nd November 1890, relating to the Dockyard Port of *Portsmouth*.

Greenwich Hospital.

Copy of Order in Council, under the *Greenwich* Hospital Act, 1865, dated 12th December 1894, approving a Memorial of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty recommending that an increased rate of pay be attached to the appointment of Accountant of *Greenwich* Hospital, and that, under certain circumstances, allowances be paid out of *Greenwich* Hospital Funds to Naval Pensioners admitted to Naval Hospitals or Infirmaries.

Mail Ships Act, 1891.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 15th October 1894, entitled, "The Mail Ships (*France*) Order in Council (*New South Wales*), 1894.

Merchant Shipping Acts.

Copies of Four Orders in Council,—(1.) Under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, dated 15th October 1894, repealing certain Bye-laws made by the *Aberdeen* Harbour Commissioners, and approved by Order in Council of 25th June 1872, and approving certain other Bye-laws made by the said Commissioners in substitution therefor relating to Pilotage.

(2.) Under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, dated 12th December 1894, approving certain Bye-laws and Rates of Pilotage made by the *Thurso* River Harbour Trustees, being the Pilotage Authority for the said Harbour.

(3.) Under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 12th December 1894, approving certain Signals to be used as Pilot Signals on and after 1st January 1895.

(4.) Under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 12th December 1894, prescribing the forms of Indenture of Apprenticeship to the Sea Fishing Service and of Agreements with Boys under the Age of 16 years with respect to that service.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1875.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 23rd August 1894, under the Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1875, and the Statute Law Revision and Civil Procedure Act, 1883, directing that the Enactments and Rules of the Supreme Court relating to Appeals from County Courts shall apply to the Vice Chancellor's Court, *Oxford*.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford.)

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of University College, *Oxford*, on 9th June 1894, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, amending Statute III. (ii.) of the Statutes of the College. No. 5.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford.)

Copy of Statute made by the University of *Oxford* with the co-operation of *Merton* College, *Oxford* (approved by Convocation on 19th June 1894), under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, amending a Statute of that College. No. 6.

Weights and Measures Act, 1889.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 23rd August 1894, under the Weights and Measures Act, 1889, approving new Denominations of Standards for Electrical Measurements.

Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts.

Copies of Schemes in pursuance of the Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts, for the Management of—(1.) The Foundation known as Sir *John Cass*'s Charity, in the Parish of *Saint Botolph, Aldgate*, partly in the City of *London*, and partly in the County of *London*, and the Endowments thereof or attached thereto. No. 7.

(2.) The Charity founded by *George Jarvis*, for the benefit of the poor inhabitants of the several Parishes of *Stanton-upon-Wye*, otherwise *Staunton-on-Wye*, *Bredwardine*, and *Letton*, all in the County of *Hereford*, governed by a private Act of Parliament, 15 and 16 *Vict.* c. 17, known as *Jarvis*'s Charity Act, 1852, a Scheme established thereunder by an Order of the Court of Chancery, dated the 2nd August 1852, and a Scheme established by an Order of the Charity Commissioners, dated 19th August 1870.

(3.) The Foundation, known as *Hanbury*'s Charity, in the Townships of *East Langton*, *West Langton*, *Thorpe Langton*, and *Tur Langton*, in the Parish of *Church Langton*, in the County of *Leicester*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877 (*Oxford*), and the Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts, be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1460 to 1493.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 339 to 352.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Supplement to the Thirty-eighth Detailed Annual Report of the Registrar General on Births, Deaths, and Marriages in *Scotland*.

Local Taxation Returns (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Memorandum and Abstract of the Accounts of County Councils for the Years 1890-91

1890-91 and 1891-92, in reference to Local Taxation Returns in *Scotland*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Bank of England.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—(1.) An Account of the Amount of all Exchequer Bills and other Government Securities, which have been purchased by the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, or on which any Sum or Sums have been lent and advanced for the Public Service by the Governor and Company of the said Bank, in the year ending 5th January 1895, showing what Amount of such Bills, before the making up of this Account, has been paid off and discharged, and the Amount of such Exchequer Bills or other Government Securities, which was in the hands of the Governor and Company of the said Bank on the 5th day of January 1895 aforesaid:——And, an Account of the Amount of Balances of Sums issued for the Payment of Dividends due, and not demanded, and which remained in the hands of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* on certain days, being those next before the issue from the Exchequer of Money for the Payment of Dividends on account of the National Debt, for each of the four preceding Quarters respectively of the year ending 5th January 1895.

Mersey Docks and Harbour Board.

(2.) Accounts of the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board for the year ending 1st July 1894.

Parliamentary Constituencies (Electors) (United Kingdom.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, with regard to each Parliamentary Constituency in the United Kingdom, the Total Number, and, so far as possible, the Number in each Class, of Electors on the Register now in Force.—(Sir *Charles Dilke*.)

Ballot for Bills, and Motions for the first four Tuesdays.

Ordered, That all Members who desire to Ballot, whether for Bills, or Motions for the first Four Tuesdays of the Session, do hand in their Names at the Table during the Sitting of the House on Tuesday and Wednesday, and that a Copy of such Notices be handed in at the latest during the Sitting of the House on Thursday, and that no Bills, other than Government Bills, be introduced in anticipation of the Ballot.

Ordered, That the Ballot for the precedence of the said Bills and Motions be taken at Noon on Thursday, in Grand Committee Room, Trade, Nos. 10 and 11.—(Mr. *John Morley*.)

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant February, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Transvaal and Swaziland.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "And we humbly express our "regret that Your Majesty's Government have "neglected to call attention in the Gracious "Speech from the Throne to the injustice with "which *British* subjects in the *Transvaal* are "treated by the *Boer* Government, and to the "abandonment of the claims of our *Swazi* allies "to independence and security."—Sir *Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

Agricultural Depression, &c.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "And we humbly represent to Your "Majesty that we view with the gravest appre-"hension the disastrous condition of the agri-"cultural interest, the prolonged depression of "the textile and other industries, and the con-"sequent increase in the number of the unem-"ployed; and we humbly express our regret "that Your Majesty's Ministers have shown no "appreciation of the extreme gravity of the "present situation."—(Mr. *Jeffreys*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five and twenty minutes after Five of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

In pursuance of Standing Order, No. 1, "Sittings of the House";

I hereby nominate—

Mr. *James William Lowther*,
Sir *Julian Goldsmid*,
Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*,
Mr. *Henry John Roby*, and
Mr. *John Edward Ellis*,

to act during this Session as temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested by the Chairman of Ways and Means.

ARTHUR W. PEEL,
Speaker.

6th February 1895.

Thursday, 7th February, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Standing Orders.

ORDERED, That the Select Committee on Standing Orders do consist of Thirteen Members:—Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Coddington*, Mr. *John Ellis*, Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, Mr. *Halsey*, Mr. *James Lowther*, Sir *John Lubbock*, Sir *John Mowbray*, Colonel *Nolan*, Mr. *Stansfeld*, Sir *Mark Stewart*, Mr. *Storey*, and Mr. *Whitbread* were accordingly nominated Members of the Committee.—(Sir *John Mowbray*.)

Selection.

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection do consist of Ten Members:—Sir *Charles Cameron*, Sir *John Dorington*, Mr. *Halsey*, Mr. *Illingworth*, Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Mr. *Arthur Williams*, Mr. *Wharton*, Mr. *Whitbread*, Mr. *Wodehouse*, and the Chairman of the Select Committee on Standing Orders were accordingly nominated Members of the Committee.—(Sir *John Mowbray*.)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

East India (Loans raised in England.)

Vide First Report.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Loans raised in *England*), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Ordered,

East India (Loans raised in India.) No. 9.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Loans raised in *India*), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Ramsgate Harbour. No. 10.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *Ramsgate* Harbour, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Lighthouses Abroad. No. 11.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Lighthouses Abroad, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders, and Transmission of Wages.) No. 12.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Seamen's Savings Banks (Money Orders, and Transmission of Wages), which were presented on the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

University of Edinburgh. No. 13.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the University of *Edinburgh*, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

University of Edinburgh. No. 14.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the University of *Edinburgh*, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Greek Loan. No. 15.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the *Greek* Loan, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Sardinian Loan. No. 16.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the *Sardinian* Loan, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Irish Land Commission (Account.) No. 17.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the *Irish* Land Commission (Account), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Church Temporalities (Ireland.) No. 18.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Church Temporalities (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Acts, 1887 and 1891. No. 19.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Acts, 1887 and 1891, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Local Taxation Returns (Scotland) 1890-91. No. 20.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Local Taxation Returns (*Scotland*), 1890–91, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant February, be printed.

Local Taxation Returns (Scotland) 1891-92. No. 21.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Local Taxation Returns (*Scotland*), 1891–92, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant February, be printed.

Bank of England. No. 22.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Bank of *England*, which were presented upon the 6th day of this instant February be printed.

Naval Manœuvres, 1894.

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Narrative of the Partial Mobilization of the Fleet and the Manœuvres of 1894.

Greenwich Hospital and Travers' Foundation.

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of the Receipt and Expenditure, of the Capital, and of the Income derived from the Lands and other Property held for the benefit of *Greenwich* Hospital and the Foundation of *Samuel Travers*, Esquire, for the year ended on 31st March 1894, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Grand Jury Presentments (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Presentments made by Grand Juries in *Ireland*, and fiated by the Court of Assizes, during the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Two Orders made under the "Diseases of Animals Act, 1894," dated respectively 2nd and 24th January 1895, relating to the Conveyance of Animals by the Steamship "*Sherryvore*."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Explosions (Darlington.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State, by Captain *J. H. Thomson*, R.A., Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives, on the Circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred at No. 13, *Blackwellgate*, *Darlington*, on 9th October 1894.

Explosions (Hayle.)

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State by Colonel *A. Ford*, Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives, on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred in a mixing house at the Factory of the National Explosives Company, Limited, at *Upton Towans*, *Gwythian*, near *Hayle*, *Cornwall*, on 4th September 1894.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Copy of Report of Mr. *R. Henry Rew*, Assistant Commissioner of the Royal Commission on Agriculture, on the Poultry Rearing and Fattening Industry of the *Heathfield* District of *Sussex*.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Copy of Report by Mr. *R. Henry Rew*, Assistant Commissioner of the Royal Commission on Agriculture, on the *Salisbury Plain* District of *Wiltshire*.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (Scotland.)

Copy of Report by Mr. *John Speir*, Assistant Commissioner of the Royal Commission on Agriculture, on the Counties of *Ayr*, *Wigtown*, *Kirkcudbright*, and *Dumfries*.

Drunkenness (England and Wales.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return for *England* and *Wales* of the Total Number of Convictions in respect of such Offences under the following Enactments as involve Drunkenness: 3 & 4 *Vic.* c. 97, s. 13; 10 & 11 *Vic.* c. 89, ss. 29 and 61; and 35 & 36 *Vic.* c. 94, s. 12; committed during the year ended the 31st day of December 1893; (1) after 12.30 (Noon) on Sundays; (2) at any other Time, whether on Sunday before 12.30 (Noon) or on any Week-day:——And, of the Total Number of Convictions of Licensed Persons under 35 & 36 *Vic.* c. 94, s. 13, for permitting Drunkenness on their Premises, or for selling any Intoxicating Liquor to any Drunken Person (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 424, of Session 1893–4).

Magistrates (Remuneration of Clerks, &c.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns showing for each County in *England* and *Wales*, other than the Administrative County of *London*, and for each Borough therein having a separate Commission of the Peace, the Total Annual Sums paid to Magistrates, Clerks and Stipendiaries for Salaries, and Allowances or Salaries for Clerks.

Factory and Workshop Act, 1878 (Period of Employment.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order of Secretary of State under the Factory and Workshop Act, 1878, extending Special Exception (Period of Employment).

Copy

Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890 (Metropolitan Improvement Schemes.)

Copy of Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, under "The Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890," permitting a further modification in the Metropolis (*Hughes Fields, Deptford*) Improvement Scheme, 1885.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sanitary Districts (Accommodation for Infectious Diseases.)

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of February 1893, for a Return showing the Area and Population, according to the last Census, of every Urban and Rural Sanitary District in *England* and *Wales*; and also showing, as regards every such District, and every Port Sanitary District in *England* and *Wales*, whether the Sanitary Authority had on or before the 31st day of December 1892, made special provision for any Accommodation of the Nature of an Isolation Hospital (other than in connection with Workhouses) for cases of Infectious Disease arising in their District, and, if so, giving the following further Particulars:—

1. Whether the Accommodation has been provided (a) by the Sanitary Authority independently; (b) by the Sanitary Authority in combination with other Authorities as a Joint Hospital Board; (c) by the Sanitary Authority in combination with other Authorities under Section 131 of "The Public Health Act, 1875"; or whether the Sanitary Authority have made any Agreement or Arrangement for the Admission of Patients into Hospitals belonging to other Local Authorities or to Private Bodies;
2. Where the Accommodation has been provided by the Sanitary Authority independently or in combination with other Authorities; (a) Description and Area of Site; where situated; (b) whether the Hospital has been erected on Plans approved by the Local Government Board; or whether it was a Workhouse Hospital transferred to the Sanitary Authority with the Board's sanction;
3. The Date since which the Accommodation has been available;
4. The Number of Beds available;
5. Whether there is separate Accommodation (a) for the Sexes; (b) for different Diseases in separate Pavilions, and, if so, for how many Diseases; (c) and special Accommodation for Small Pox Patients;
6. The Number of Cases treated in the Hospital during each of the Five years, 1888 to 1892, inclusive, distinguishing Small Pox, Scarlet Fever, Typhus, Enteric Fever, Diphtheria, and other Diseases;
7. The Rate of Charge, if any, made for Maintenance of Patients.
8. The Amounts received from Patients in each of the Five years, 1888 to 1892, inclusive;
9. The Cost of (a) Site; (b) Hospital Buildings;
10. Whether such Cost has been met (a) out of Moneys raised by means of Loans; or (b) out of Current Rates, or otherwise than by means of Loans;
11. The Cost of Maintenance of Hospital for each of the Five years, 1888 to 1892, inclusive;
12. Ambulance, Nature of;
13. Disinfecting Apparatus, Nature of;
14. The Arrangements for Medical Attendance.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 2, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Accession of *Servia* to the International Sanitary Convention, signed at *Dresden*, 15th April 1893, dated 16th July 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Parliament (Debates and Proceedings) No. 23.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Contract, dated the 16th day of January 1895, entered into with Messrs. *Waterlow* and Sons (Limited) for Printing and Publishing Reports of Debates and Proceedings in Parliament.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences Refused.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Victuallers', Beer-house, and other Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, the Renewal of which has been refused in the year 1894 by the Justices of the Peace in each Licensing District in *England* and *Wales*, showing in each Case the ground of such Refusal, especially when such ground was in any instance that the Licence was not required, and showing also the Result of Appeal, if any (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 154, of Session 1894.)—(Mr. *John Ellis*.)

Tuberculosis.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, in respect of each of the years ended the 25th day of March 1894 and 1895, the Number of Carcasses seized by Medical Officers of Health and Inspectors of Nuisances in *England* and *Wales* under Section 116 of "The Public Health Act, 1875," and Section 47 of the Public Health (*London*) Act, 1891," and of the Number of such Carcasses condemned by Justices under Sections 117 and 47 of those Acts, distinguishing, as far as practicable, the Number so condemned in consequence of the Animal having suffered from Tuberculosis (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 485, of Session 1893-94.)—(Mr. *Knowles*.)

Private Bills.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That, in accordance with Standing Order 79, he had conferred with the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Private Bills should be first considered, and that they had determined that the Bills contained in the following List should originate in the House of Lords, *viz.*:—

1. Agricultural Company of *Mauritius*.
2. *Aire* and *Calder* Navigation.
3. *Ambleside* Local Board (Gas and Water).
4. *American* Mortgage Company of *Scotland*.
5. Bank of *Bolton*.
6. *Barnsley* Corporation (Water).
7. *Barry* Railway.
8. *Belfast* and Northern Counties Railway.
9. *Birminghan*, *North Warwickshire*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway.
10. *Brean Down* Harbour and Railway.
11. *Brecon* and *Merthyr* Railway.
12. *Bristol* Extension.
13. *Bristol* Water.
14. *Bute* Dock Acts Amendment.
15. *Bute* Docks, *Cardiff*.
16. *Carrickfergus* Town Commissioners.
17. *Chesterfield* Gas and Water Board.
18. *Cordoba* and *Rosario* Railway Company.
19. *Credit Foncier* of *Mauritius*.
20. *Crystal Palace* Company.
21. *Dewsbury* and *Heckmondwike* Water.
22. *Downing* College Estate.

23. East *Denbighshire* Railway.
24. *Edinburgh* and District Water.
25. *Edinburgh* Merchant Company Endowments.
26. *Felixstowe* and *Walton* Water.
27. *Fender Valley* Drainage.
28. *Fishguard* and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels).
29. *Folkestone* Corporation.
30. Great Western Railway (No. 1).
31. Great Western Railway (No. 2).
32. *Greenock* Harbour.
33. *Halifax* and *Bermudas* Cable Company.
34. *Hayes* and *Farnborough* Railway.
35. *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board.
36. *Hebden* Bridge Local Board (Gas).
37. *Heriot's* Trust.
38. *Holme's* Patent.
39. *Ilfracombe* Gas.
40. *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Abandonment).
41. *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Extension of Time).
42. *Lanarkshire* and *Dumbartonshire* Railway.
43. Land Securities Company.
44. *Leeds* Corporation Tramways.
45. Legal and General Life Assurance Society.
46. *Liskeard* and *Looe* Railway Extension.
47. *Livet's* Patent.
48. *Lynton* and *Barnstaple* Railway.
49. *Lynton* Railway.
50. *Manchester, Sheffield,* and *Lincolnshire* Railway.
51. *Manchester* Ship Canal.
52. *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board.
53. *Mersey* Railway.
54. *Merthyr Tydfil* Local Board Water.
55. *Neath, Pontardawe,* and *Bryn-Aman* Railway.
56. New *Russia* Company.
57. North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway.
58. *Oldham* and *Royton* Canal.
59. *Phœnix* Assurance Company.
60. *Poole* Harbour.
61. *Rhondda* and *Swansea Bay* Railway.
62. *Rhymney* Railway.
63. *Rotherham* Corporation.
64. *Saint Andrews* University.
65. *Saint Clears, Laugharne,* and *Pendine* Railway.
66. *Saint Leonard's-on-Sea* and *Hollington* Parishes.
67. *Salomon's* Patent.
68. South Eastern Railway.
69. *Staffordshire* Potteries Stipendiary Justice.
70. *Stone, Darenth,* and *Swanley* Tramroads, and *Thames* Jetty.
71. *Stratford-upon-Avon, Towcester* and Midland, and East and West Junction Railway Companies.
72. *Stroud* and *Painswick* (Light) Railway.
73. *Sutton* Harbour.
74. *Swansea* Harbour.
75. *Taff Vale* Railway.
76. *Thames* and *Severn* Canal.
77. *Vale of Glamorgan* Railway.
78. *William Hancock* and Company.
79. *Wirral* Railway.
80. *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway.

Business of the House (Introduction of Bills.)

Ordered, That To-morrow the introduction of Bills have precedence of the Order of the Day.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 6th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Main Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland,* in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

Agricultural Depression, &c.

And which Amendment was, at the end of the Question, to add the words, "And we humbly "represent to Your Majesty that we view with "the gravest apprehension the disastrous con-"dition of the agricultural interest, the prolonged "depression of the textile and other industries, "and the consequent increase in the number of "the unemployed; and we humbly express our "regret that Your Majesty's Ministers have "shown no appreciation of the extreme gravity "of the present situation"—(Mr. *Jeffreys*);

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there added:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 8th February, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords.*]

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in respect of the Bills comprised in the List reported by the Chairman of Ways and Means as intended to originate in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have been complied with in the following cases, *viz.*:—

Agricultural Company of *Mauritius.*
Aire and *Calder* Navigation.
Ambleside Local Board (Gas and Water).
American Mortgage Company of *Scotland.*
Bank of *Bolton.*
Barnsley Corporation (Water).
Barry Railway.
Belfast and Northern Counties Railway.
Birmingham, North *Warwickshire,* and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway.
Brean Down Harbour and Railway.
Brecon and *Merthyr* Railway.
Bristol Extension.
Bristol Water.
Bute Docks Acts Amendment.
Bute Docks, *Cardiff.*
Carrickfergus Town Commissioners.
Chesterfield Gas and Water Board.
Credit Foncier of *Mauritius.*
Dewsbury and *Heckmondwike* Water.
Downing College Estate.
East Denbighshire Railway.
Edinburgh and District Water.
Edinburgh Merchant Company Endowments.
Felixstowe and *Walton* Water.
Fender Valley Drainage.
Fishguard and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels).
Folkestone Corporation.
Great Western Railway (No. 1).

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Great Western Railway (No. 2).
Greenock Harbour.
Halifax and *Bermudas* Cable Company.
Hayes and *Farnborough* Railway.
Hebden Bridge and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board.
Hebden Bridge Local Board (Gas).
Heriot's Trust.
Holmes Patent.
Ilfracombe Gas.
Kingstown and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Abandonment).
Kingstown and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Extension of Time).
Lanarkshire and *Dumbartonshire* Railway.
Land Securities Company.
Legal and General Life Assurance Society.
Lisheard and *Looe* Railway Extension.
Livet's Patent.
Lynton and *Barnstaple* Railway.
Lynton Railway.
Manchester, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway.
Manchester Ship Canal.
Mersey Docks and Harbour Board.
Mersey Railway.
Merthyr Tydfil Local Board Water.
Neath, *Pontardawe*, and *Bryn Aman* Railway.
New *Russia* Company.
North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway.
Oldham and *Royton* Canal.
Phœnix Assurance Company.
Poole Harbour.
Rhondda and *Swansea Bay* Railway.
Rhymney Railway.
Saint Andrews University.
Saint Clears, *Laugharne*, and *Pendine* Railway.
Saint Leonard's-on-Sea and *Hollington* Parishes.
Salomon's Patent.
South Eastern Railway.
Staffordshire Potteries Stipendiary Justice.
Stone, *Darenth*, and *Swanley* Tramroads, and *Thames* Jetty.
Stratford-upon-Axon, *Towcester*, and Midland, and East and West Junction Railway Companies.
Stroud and *Painswick* (Light) Railway.
Sutton Harbour.
Swansea Harbour.
Taff Vale Railway.
Thames and *Severn* Canal.
Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway.
William Hancock and Company.
Wirral Railway.
Wrexham and *Ellesmere* Railway.

And that they have certified that the Standing Orders have not been complied with in the following cases, *viz.* :—

Crystal Palace Company.
Leeds Corporation Tramways.
Rotherham Corporation.

Private Bill Petitions (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.* :

Leigh and South Central *Lancashire* Railway.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Private Bill Petitions [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petitions for the following Bills, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.* :

Crystal Palace Company.
Leeds Corporation Tramways.
Rotherham Corporation.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Wages and Effects of Deceased Seamen.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Wages and Effects of Deceased Seamen, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

No. 24.

Greenwich Hospital and Travers' Foundation.

Ordered, That the Account relative to *Greenwich* Hospital and *Travers'* Foundation, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant February, be printed.

No. 25.

Drunkenness (England and Wales.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Drunkenness (*England* and *Wales*), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant February, be printed.

No. 26.

Magistrates (Remuneration of Clerks, &c.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Magistrates (Remuneration of Clerks, &c.), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant February, be printed.

No. 27.

Sanitary Districts (Accommodation for Infectious Diseases.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Sanitary Districts (Accommodation for Infectious Diseases), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant February, be printed.

No. 28.

Polling Districts (Lancashire.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders made by the *Lancashire* County Council on the 2nd August and 1st November 1894, redividing certain Parliamentary Divisions of the County into Polling Districts.

Polling Districts (Montgomeryshire.)

Copy of Order made by the *Montgomeryshire* County Council on the 21st September 1894, altering the *Churchstoke* Polling District in the County of *Montgomery*.

Polling Districts (Brighton.)

Copy of Order made by the Town Council of *Brighton* on 4th October 1894, for dividing the Borough into Polling Districts.

Polling Districts (Oldham.)

Copy of Order made by the Town Council of the Borough of *Oldham* on 5th September 1894, for the redivision of the Borough into Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Army (Militia.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of further Regulations relating to the Militia.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army (Ordnance Factories) (Appropriation Account.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for the Expense of the Ordnance Factories, the Productions of which are charged to other Votes, for the year ending 31st March 1894, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon; also Statement of the Surpluses and Deficits upon the Grants.

Barracks Act, 1890.

Account showing the Money raised and issued under the Barracks Act, 1890, the Securities created in respect thereof, and the Amount expended for the purposes of the Act to the 31st March 1894, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Military Forces Localisation (Appropriation Account.)

Account showing the Money raised and issued under the Provisions of the Military Forces Localisation Act, the Securities created in respect thereof, and the Amount expended for the purposes of the said Act, to the 31st March 1894; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Duchy of Cornwall.

An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of *Cornwall* in the year ended on the 31st December 1894.

Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues.

Abstract Accounts of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, for the year ended the 31st March 1894; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Imperial Defence Act, 1888 (Naval Section) (Australasian Agreement.)

Account prepared under the provisions of Part I. of "The Imperial Defence Act, 1888" (Naval Section) (*Australasian* Agreement), showing the Money raised and issued out of the Consolidated Fund, the Securities created in respect thereof, and the Amount expended for the purposes of the said Act, up to 31st March 1894; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Banking and Railway Statistics (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Banking and Railway Statistics of *Ireland*, for the half year ended 31st December 1894.

Irish Land Commission (Proceedings.)

Copy of Return of Proceedings under "The Land Law (*Ireland*) Acts, 1881 and 1887," "The Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts, 1883 and 1891," and "The Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Acts, 1885, 1888, and 1891," and "The Redemption of Rent (*Ireland*) Act, 1891," during the Months of August, September, October, November, and December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Charitable Endowments (London.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners, in the result of an Inquiry held in every Parish wholly or partly within the Administrative County of *London* into Endowments, subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1891, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that County, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing in the case of each such Parish whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners in the Parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Reports.

East India (Persons brought to Trial.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons (1) brought to Trial in each Province of *British India* in each year from 1883 to 1892, inclusive, for Offences for which Capital Sentences might be inflicted, specifying those originally tried by the High Court in each Presidency Town, and those originally tried by the *Mofussil* Sessions Courts; (2) the Number of Persons sentenced to Death for each Offence by the High Courts originally, and by the Sessions Courts, also the Number of Instances in which the Capital Sentences of the Sessions Judges were upheld, reversed, or commuted by the High Courts as Appellate or Confirming Courts; (3) the Number of Persons who received other Sentences than Death or were acquitted; and (4) the Number of Persons reprieved.—(Mr. *Caine*.)

Civil Service Second Division Clerks.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence between the Treasury and certain Members of the House in relation to Grievances of Clerks of the Second Division of the Civil Service.—(Sir *Albert Rollit*.)

Light Railways.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report, with Appendices, of a Committee, presented to the Right Honourable *J. Bryce*, M.P., Chairman of a Conference on Light Railways.—(Sir *Bernhard Samuelson*.)

Queensland (Immigration.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relating to Immigration into *Queensland*, the Mortality in the Colony, and the Return to their Native Islands of *Polynesian* Islanders during the years 1886 to 1894, inclusive (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 342, of Session 1893).—(Mr. *John Ellis*.)

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences Refused.)

The Order made upon the 7th day of this instant February, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Intoxicating Liquors (Licences Refused), was read, and discharged.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences Refused.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Victuallers', Beerhouse, and other Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, the Renewal of which has been refused in the year 1894 by the Justices of the Peace in each Licensing District in *England* and *Wales*, showing in each Case the Ground for such Refusal, especially when such Ground was in any instance that the Licence was not required, and showing also the Result of Appeal, if any (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 154, of Session 1894.)—(Mr. *John Ellis*.)

Burials.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to further amend the Burial Laws: And that Mr. *Carvell Williams*, Sir *George Osborne Morgan*, Mr. *Illingworth*, Mr. *Perks*, Mr. *Barrow*, Mr. *Channing*, and Mr. *Egerton Allen* do prepare, and bring it in.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Boards of Guardians in *Ireland*, and to extend their Powers under the Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts, and in other respects: And that Mr. *Crilly*, Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Dr. *Fox*, and Mr. *Finucane* do prepare, and bring it in.

Rating of Machinery.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Rating of Hereditaments containing Machinery: And that Mr. *Gerald Balfour*, Mr. *Coddington*, Mr. *Holland*, Sir *Bernhard Samuelson*, Mr. *Mather*, Mr. *Tomlinson*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *Smith Wright*, Mr. *Strachey*, and Mr. *Jackson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Pistols.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the Sale and Use of Pistols: And that the Marquess of *Carmarthen*, Mr. *James Lowther*, Mr. *Paulton*, Mr. *Joseph A. Pease*, and Mr. *Wharton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered,

Municipal Franchise (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Municipal Franchise in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Mr. *Thomas B. Curran*, Mr. *O'Keeffe*, Mr. *Pinkerton*, and Mr. *Carvill* do prepare, and bring it in.

London Municipalities.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the creation of Municipalities within the County of *London*: And that Sir *Frederick Dixon-Hartland*, Mr. *James Campbell*, and Colonel *Long* do prepare, and bring it in.

Steam Engines (Persons in Charge.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for Certificates to Persons in charge of Steam Engines and Boilers: And that Mr. *William Allan*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*), Mr. *William Abraham* (*Rhondda*), Mr. *Joseph Wilson*, Mr. *Howell*, Mr. *Wilson Lloyd*, and Sir *Seymour King* do prepare, and bring it in.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister: And that Mr. *Henry Fell Pease*, Mr. *Arch*, Mr. *Albert Bright*, Mr. *Rees-Davies*, Sir *Frederick Seager Hunt*, Mr. *Labouchere*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Joseph Pease*, Sir *George Chesney*, Mr. *Villiers*, and Mr. *Colman* do prepare, and bring it in.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (England)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Localities, by a direct Vote, to prevent the issue of Licences: And that Sir *Wilfrid Lawson*, Mr. *Allison*, Mr. *Caine*, Mr. *Henry J. Wilson*, Mr. *Benn*, Mr. *Billson*, Mr. *Crosfield*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *Snape*, and Mr. *Whittaker* do prepare, and bring it in.

Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act, 1883: And that Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton*, Sir *Henry James*, Sir *Frederick Milner*, and Sir *Charles Hall* do prepare, and bring it in.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Burghs, Wards of Burghs, Parishes, and Districts in *Scotland* to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Areas: And that Mr. *Beith*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Govan*), Sir *Charles Cameron*, Sir *Leonard Lyell*, Mr. *Cameron Corbett*, Dr. *Clark*, Mr. *Birrell*, and Mr. *Dunn* do prepare, and bring it in.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887: And that Mr. *Knox*, Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Sexton*, Dr. *Fox*, Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*, and Mr. *Thomas B. Curran* do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Tenure.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenancy of Land: And that Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Billson*, Mr. *Luttrell*, Mr. *Edwards*, Mr. *Leon*, and Mr. *William Smith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide Industrial Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools: And that Mr. *Martin*, Mr. *Jesse Collings*, Sir *John Lubbock*, Sir *John Kennaway*, Sir *Richard Paget*, Sir *Bernhard Samuelson*, Colonel *Kenyon-Slaney*, and Mr. *Dixon* do prepare, and bring it in.

Technical Education (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Technical Education in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Barton*, Mr. *Wolff*, Lord *Arthur Hill*, Mr. *Horace Plunkett*, and Mr. *William Kenny* do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for extending the Parliamentary Franchise to Women: And that Mr. *Macdona*, Sir *Richard Temple*, Mr. *Maclure*, Mr. *Atherley-Jones*, and Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen* do prepare, and bring it in.

Church Patronage.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law respecting the exercise of Church Patronage and the avoidance of Benefices, and to further amend the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885: And that Mr. *Hayes Fisher*, Viscount *Wolmer*, Mr. *Talbot*, Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Mr. *Brodrick*, Viscount *Cranborne*, and Mr. *Bartley* do prepare, and bring it in.

Poor Law (Electors) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the disfranchisement of Persons receiving Out-door Relief in return for Labour: And that Sir *Theodore Fry*, Mr. *Joseph Richardson*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*), Mr. *Paulton*, and Mr. *William Allan* do prepare, and bring it in.

Technical Education (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better provision of Secondary and Technical Education in *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Crombie*, Mr. *Donald Crawford*, Mr. *Buchanan*, and Captain *Sinclair* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday: And that Mr. *Charles Wilson*, Mr. *Perks*, Mr. *James Stevenson*, Mr. *Cozens-Hardy*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*), Mr. *Woods*, Mr. *Joseph Richardson*, Mr. *Hazell*, and Mr. *Snape* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ecclesiastical Vestries.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Regulation of Parish Vestries with reference to the Affairs of the Church of *England*: And that Mr. *Jebb*, Sir *Richard Webster*, Sir *Francis Powell*, and Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen* do prepare, and bring it in.

Workmen's Accidents (Compensation.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide Compensation to Workmen or their Representatives in Cases of Accidents arising in the course of their Employment: And that Mr. *Forwood*, Mr. *Matthews*, Mr. *Chamberlain*, Sir *Edward Hill*, Mr. *Elliott Lees*, and Mr. *Tomlinson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Peers' Disabilities Removal.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove the Disabilities of Peers on succeeding to their Titles in respect of sitting in the House of Commons: And that Mr. *Curzon*, Mr. *Brodrick*, and Viscount *Wolmer* do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Compulsory Sale of Land in *Ireland* in certain Cases: And that Mr. *Reynolds*, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Matthew Kenny*, Mr. *Pinkerton*, Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Knox*, and Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* do prepare, and bring it in.

County Councils (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish County Councils in *Ireland*: And that

that Dr. *Fox*, Mr. *Maurice Healy*. Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*, Mr. *Crilly*, Mr. *Knox*, and Mr. *Thomas B. Curran* do prepare, and bring it in.

Tramways (Local Authorities.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the working of Tramways by Local Authorities: And that Mr. *Schwann*, Sir *Joseph Leigh*, Mr. *Addison*. Mr. *Neville*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*), and Mr. *Byles* do prepare, and bring it in.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act, (1887) Repeal (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887: And that Mr. *Hayden*, Mr. *John Redmond*, Colonel *Nolan*, Mr. *Clancy*, and Dr. *Kenny* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in *Ireland* on Saturday and Sunday, and for other purposes connected therewith: And that Mr. *Mulholland*, Sir *Thomas Lea*, Mr. *Maurice Healy*, Mr. *William Johnston*, Mr. *Jordan*, Colonel *Saunderson*, Mr. *J. F. X. O'Brien*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Pinkerton*, Mr. *Diamond*, Mr. *Arnold-Forster*, Mr. *Webb*, Mr. *William Kenny*, and Mr. *Kennedy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Lodger Franchise.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and extend the Franchise of Lodgers: And that Mr. *Paul*, Mr. *Haldane*, Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Mr. *Cobb*, and Mr. *Lloyd-Morgan* do prepare, and bring it in.

Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Ratepayers of any Locality to veto the issue of Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *William Johnston*, Mr. *Jordan*, Lord *Arthur Hill*, Mr. *Pinkerton*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Diamond* and Mr. *Wolff* do prepare, and bring it in.

Militia.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make better Provision for the Militia, and with reference to the Law of Ballot for that Force: And that Major *Rasch*, Colonel *Brookfield*, Sir *George Chesney*, and Captain *Grice-Hutchinson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Justices of the Peace.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law in regard to the Appointment, Qualification, and Removal of Justices of the Peace: And that Mr. *Owen*, Mr. *Luttrell*, Mr. *Howell*, Mr. *Arthur Williams*, and Mr. *Lambert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mining Easements.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Mining Royalties and Easements: And that Mr. *Atherley-Jones*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*), Mr. *Fenwick*, Mr. *Joseph Pease*, Sir *James Joicey*, and Mr. *Joseph Richardson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Handloom Weavers in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *O'Neill*, Colonel *Saunderson*, Colonel *Waring*, and Mr. *Macartney* do prepare, and bring it in.

Old Age Provident Pensions.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide Pensions in Old Age to the Provident Poor: And that Mr. *Bartley*, Sir *Frederick Seager Hunt*, and Mr. *Dampier Palmer* do prepare, and bring it in.

Irish Lights Board.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Constitution of the *Irish* Lights Board: And that Mr. *James O'Connor*, Captain *Donellan*, Mr. *Wolff*, Mr. *Edward Barry*, and Mr. *Ffrench* do prepare, and bring it in.

Payment of Wages.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the priority of Payment of Wages in Bankruptcy and other cases: And that Mr. *David Randell*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *John Burns*, Mr. *Woods*, Mr. *William Abraham* (*Rhondda*), and Mr. *Warmington* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Act (1888) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1888, so far as relates to the promotion of Bills in Parliament by County Councils: And that Mr. *Bigwood* and Mr. *Howard* do prepare, and bring it in.

Rivers Pollution Prevention.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make more effectual provision for Prevention of the Pollution of Rivers and Streams: And that Sir *Francis Powell*, Mr. *Henry Hobhouse*, Sir *John Dorington*, Mr. *Kenrick*, Sir *John Barran*, Sir *Henry Howorth*, and Dr. *Farquharson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Labourers' Dwellings (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the erection of improved Dwellings for Agricultural Labourers in *Ireland*: And that Lord *Frederick Hamilton*, Sir *Edward Harland*, and Mr. *Ross* do prepare, and bring it in.

Chartered Accountants.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Chartered Accountants: And that Sir *Reginald Hanson*, Mr. *Harry Lawson*, Mr. *Alban Gibbs*, Mr. *Cozens-Hardy*, Sir *Frederick Dixon-Hartland*, and Mr. *Hulse* do prepare, and bring it in.

Farm Servants (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the better Housing of Farm Servants on Farms in *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Seymour Keay*, Dr. *Clark*, Mr. *Napier*, and Mr. *Beith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Registration Law Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reduce the Period of Qualification for Registration for Parliamentary and other Elections: And that Mr. *Frye*, Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*, Mr. *Naoroji*, Captain *Norton*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, Mr. *Stuart*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, and Mr. *Stewart Wallace* do prepare, and bring it in.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Municipal Franchise in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *John Redmond*, Mr. *Clancy*, and Mr. *Harrington* do prepare, and bring it in.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish a single Franchise at all Elections, and thereby to abolish University Representation, and to remove the Disabilities of Women: And that Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *William Allen*, Mr. *Jacob Bright*, Mr. *John Burns*, Mr. *Byles*, Dr. *Clark*, and Mr. *Keir-Hardie* do prepare, and bring it in.

Elections (Second Ballot, and Returning Officers' Expenses.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill providing for a Second Ballot in cases where no Candidate has received a Majority of the recorded Votes, and for the payment of Returning Officers' Expenses: And that Mr. *Holland*, Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *Schwann*, Sir *James Kitson*, and Mr. *Channing* do prepare, and bring it in.

Beer Adulteration.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for better securing the Purity of Beer: And that

that Colonel *Kenyon-Slaney*, Mr. *Quilter*, Viscount *Wolmer*, Mr. *Heneage*, Mr. *Brookfield*, Mr. *Round*, Mr. *Francis Stevenson*, Mr. *Broadhurst*, and Mr. *Robert Price* do prepare, and bring it in.

Shops Early Closing.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Earlier Closing of Shops: And that Sir *John Lubbock*, Mr. *Chamberlain*, Colonel *Bridgeman*, Mr. *Cameron Corbett*, Mr. *Fenwick*, Mr. *Field*, Mr. *Kearley*. and Mr. *Mather* do prepare, and bring it in.

National Assemblies and Imperial Federation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish National Assemblies and Imperial Federation: And that Mr. *Burnie*, Mr. *Dalziel*, Mr. *Lloyd-George*, and Mr. *Randell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Evicted Tenants (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Re-instatement of certain Evicted Tenants in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Harrington*, Mr. *John Redmond*, Mr. *Clancy*, Mr. *Hayden*, and Dr. *Kenny* do prepare, and bring it in.

Workmen's Houses Tenure.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision with respect to the Tenure of the Houses of Workmen in certain Employments: And that Mr. *Donald Crawford*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Govan*), Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*), and Mr. *Caldwell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give facilities to Leaseholders for the Purchase of the Fee Simple of their Holdings: And that Mr. *Kearley*, Mr. *Brunner*, Mr. *Harry Lawson*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, Mr. *Frye*, Major *Jones*, Mr. *Field*, and Dr. *Fox* do prepare, and bring it in.

Court of Criminal Appeal.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the creation of a Court of Criminal Appeal and revision of sentences: And that Mr. *Hopwood*, Sir *Henry James*, Sir *Andrew Scoble*, Mr. *Leese*, Mr. *Shiress Will*, Mr. *Cremer*, Dr. *Fox*, and Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*) do prepare, and bring it in.

Market Gardeners' Compensation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend and amend the provisions of the Agricultural Holdings (*England*) Act, 1883, so far as they relate to Market Gardens: And that Colonel *Long*, Mr. *Jesse Collings*, Sir *Frederick Dixon-Hartland*, Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, and Sir *Albert Rollit* do prepare, and bring it in.

Tied Houses Tenants Contracts.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill dealing with Contracts entered into by the Tenants of Tied Houses: And that Mr. *William Allen*, Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *Caine*, Mr. *Philip Stanhope*, Mr. *Keir-Hardie*, and Mr. *T. W. Russell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary Elections.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Parliamentary Elections, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Mr. *Howell*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *Bowen Rowlands*, and Mr. *Warmington* do prepare, and bring it in.

Church of Scotland Reference.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Reference of the question of the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Church of *Scotland* to the Parliamentary Electors of *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Thorburn*, Viscount *Wolmer*, Mr. *Parker Smith*, Sir *Mark Stewart*, Mr. *Cochrane*, Mr. *Baird*, and Mr. *Maxwell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Working Men's Dwellings.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give facilities for the Acquisition by Working Men of their own Dwellings: And that Mr. *Wrightson* and Sir *Alfred Hickman* do prepare, and bring it in.

Poor Relief Disqualification.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove, under certain circumstances, the Disqualification of Voters in receipt of Poor Relief: And that Mr. *Samuel Hoare*, Sir *Seymour King*, Mr. *Hare*, Mr. *Maunsell Richardson*, Colonel *Howard Vincent*, and Mr. *Thornton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland) (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for Compulsory Sale of Land in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *William Redmond*, Mr. *Hayden*, and Colonel *Nolan* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sunday Closing (Wales) Act (1881) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Sunday Closing (*Wales*) Act, 1881: And that Mr. *Herbert Roberts*, Mr. *Lloyd-George*, Mr. *Alfred Thomas*, Mr. *Herbert Lewis*, and Mr. *Spicer* do prepare, and bring it in.

Town Leaseholds Extension (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable certain under-Lessees in Towns in *Ireland* to acquire the reversions in their Holdings: And that Mr. *William Kenny*, Mr. *Horace Plunkett*, Mr. *Ross*, and Mr. *Yerburgh* do prepare, and bring it in.

Merchandise Marks (Files.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887 and 1891, in respect of the marking of Files: And that Mr. *Stuart-Wortley*, Mr. *Mundella*, Sir *Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett*, and Mr. *Fenwick* do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Officers and Seamen of the Royal Navy and Mercantile Marine to record their Votes when by reason of their calling they will be at sea on the day of the Poll: And that Mr. *Elliott Lees*, Mr. *Forwood*, Sir *Seymour King*, Sir *Edward Hill*, Mr. *Kearley*, and Mr. *Allan* do prepare, and bring it in.

Agricultural Holdings.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Agricultural Holdings in *England*, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Cobb*, Mr. *Halley Stewart*, Mr. *Francis Stevenson*, Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Hugh Hoare*, Mr. *Billson*, and Mr. *Luttrell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Old Age Pensions.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the purpose of establishing a National System of Old Age Pensions: And that Mr. *Rankin*, Mr. *Chamberlain*, Mr. *Mallock*, and Mr. *Hozier* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cheap Trains (London.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure the provision of Cheap Trains in *London*: And that Sir *Blundell Maple*, Sir *Algernon Borthwick*, Sir *Frederick Dixon-Hartland* and Mr. *Whitmore* do prepare, and bring it in.

Plumbers' Registration.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the National Registration of Plumbers: And that Mr. *Knowles*, Sir *Algernon Borthwick*, Earl *Compton*, Mr. *Dixon*, Dr. *Farquharson*, Mr. *Bowen Rowlands*, and Mr. *Sexton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Justices of the Peace (Qualification.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Qualification and Appointment of Justices of the Peace in Counties: And that Mr. *Dodd*, Mr. *Stansfeld*, Mr.

Mr. *Arch*, Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Fenwick*, and Mr. *Carvell Williams* do prepare, and bring it in.

Labourers (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and extend the Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts: And that Mr. *Clancy*, Mr. *Hayden*, and Colonel *Nolan* do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Tenure (England.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the relations between Landlord and Tenant as to the Terms of Tenancy and Conditions of Occupation of Land: And that Mr. *William Smith*, Mr. *Billson*, Mr. *Robert Price*, Mr. *Woods*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, Mr. *Logan*, and Mr. *Arch* do prepare, and bring it in.

Housing of the Working Classes.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for facilitating the operation of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, in so far as it relates to Rural Sanitary Districts: And that Mr. *Stern*, Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Logan*, and Mr. *Lambert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish Boards of Conciliation and Arbitration in Trade Disputes: And that Mr. *Butcher*, Mr. *Horace Plunkett*, Mr. *Byrne*, Mr. *Yerburgh*, and Mr. *Cohen* do prepare, and bring it in.

Irish Education Act (1892) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the *Irish* Education Act, 1892: And that Dr *Kenny*, Mr. *Harrington*, Mr. *William Redmond*, and Mr. *Field* do prepare, and bring it in.

Tramways (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883: And that Mr. *Tully*, Mr. *Knox*, Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, and Mr. *Patrick Aloysius M'Hugh* do prepare, and bring it in.

School Board for London Elections.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter the Divisions of *London* for the Election of the School Board: And that Mr. *Pickersgill*, Mr. *James Stuart*, and Captain *Norton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Metropolis Management (Saint Paul, Deptford.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Metropolis Management Acts: And that Mr. *Darling*, Mr. *Benn*, Mr. *Banbury*, and Mr. *Pickersgill* do prepare, and bring it in.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Factory and Workshop Act, 1891: And that Sir *Henry James*, Mr. *Mundella*, and Mr. *Mowbray* do prepare, and bring it in.

Street Music.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to control Itinerant Street Musicians: And that Mr. *Jacoby*, Sir *Thomas Roe*, General *Goldsworthy*, Mr. *Arnold-Forster*, and Mr. *J. W. Sidebotham* do prepare, and bring it in.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Acts Extension.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend to the Counties of *Banff*, *Aberdeen*, *Kincardine*, *Elgin*, and *Nairn* certain provisions of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act, 1886, and any Acts amending the same: And that Sir *William Wedderburn*, Dr. *Farquharson*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Crombie*, and Mr. *Seymour Keay* do prepare, and bring it in.

Boards of Conciliation

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer additional Powers on Boards of Conciliation and Arbitration: And that Sir *John Lubbock*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *Howell*, Mr. *Mather*, Sir *Samuel Montagu*, Sir *Francis Powell*, and Sir *Albert Rollit* do prepare, and bring it in.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of the Agricultural Holdings (*England*) Act, 1883, so far as they relate to Market Gardens: And that Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Billson*, and Mr. *Cobb* do prepare, and bring it in.

Burials Bill. Bill 1.

Mr. *Carvell Williams* presented a Bill to further amend the Burial Laws: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill. Bill 2.

Mr. *Crilly* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Boards of Guardians in *Ireland*, and to extend their powers under the Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts, and in other respects: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed.

Rating of Machinery Bill. Bill 3.

Mr. *Gerald Balfour* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Rating of Hereditaments containing Machinery: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Pistols Bill. Bill 4.

The Marquess of *Carmarthen* presented a Bill to regulate the Sale and Use of Pistols: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill. Bill 5.

Mr. *Timothy M. Healy* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Municipal Franchise in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

London Municipalities Bill. Bill 6.

Sir *Frederick Dixon-Hartland* presented a Bill for the creation of Municipalities within the County of *London*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

Steam Engines (Persons in Charge) Bill. Bill 7.

Mr. *William Allan* presented a Bill to provide for Certificates to Persons in Charge of Steam Engines and Boilers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill. Bill 8.

Mr. *Henry Fell Pease* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (England) Bill. Bill 9.

Sir *Wilfrid Lawson* presented a Bill to enable Localities, by a direct Vote, to prevent the issue of Licences: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed.

Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill. Bill 10.

Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton* presented a Bill to amend the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act, 1883: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill. Bill 11.

Mr. *Beith* presented a Bill to enable Owners and Occupiers in Burghs, Wards of Burghs, Parishes, and Districts in *Scotland* to prevent the Common Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, or otherwise

wise to have effectual Control over the Drink Traffic within such Area: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill. Bill 12.

Mr. *Knox* presented a Bill to repeal the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Land Tenure Bill. Bill 13.

Mr. *Lambert* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenancy of Land: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill. Bill 14.

Mr. *Martin* presented a Bill to provide Industrial Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of May next; and to be printed.

Technical Education (Ireland) Bill. Bill 15.

Mr. *Barton* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Technical Education in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill. Bill 16.

Mr. *Macdona* presented a Bill for extending the Parliamentary Franchise to Women: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Church Patronage Bill. Bill 17.

Mr. *Hayes Fisher* presented a Bill to amend the Law respecting the exercise of Church Patronage and the avoidance of Benefices, and to further amend the Pluralities Acts Amendment Act, 1885: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill. Bill 18.

Sir *Theodore Fry* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Disfranchisement of Persons receiving Out-door Relief in return for Labour: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Technical Education (Stotland) Bill. Bill 19.

Mr. *Crombie* presented a Bill for the better provision of Secondary and Technical Education in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill. Bill 20.

Mr. *Charles Wilson* presented a Bill to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Ecclesiastical Vestries Bill. Bill 21.

Mr. *Jebb* presented a Bill for the better Regulation of Parish Vestries with reference to the Affairs of the Church of *England*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

Workmen's Accidents (Compensation) Bill. Bill 22.

Mr. *Forwood* presented a Bill to provide Compensation to Workmen or their Representatives in cases of Accidents arising in the course of their Employment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of May next; and to be printed.

Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill. Bill 23.

Mr. *Curzon* presented a Bill to remove the Disabilities of Peers on succeeding to their Titles in respect of sitting in the House of Commons: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland) Bill. Bill 24.

Mr. *Reynolds* presented a Bill to provide for the compulsory Sale of Land in *Ireland* in certain cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed.

County Councils (Ireland) Bill. Bill 25.

Dr. *Fox* presented a Bill to establish County Councils in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of May next; and to be printed.

Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill. Bill 26.

Mr. *Schwann* presented a Bill to facilitate the working of Tramways by Local Authorities: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal (No. 2) Bill. Bill 27.

Mr. *Hayden* presented a Bill to repeal the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act, 1887: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill. Bill 28.

Mr. *Mulholland* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in *Ireland* on Saturday and Sunday, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed.

Lodger Franchise Bill. Bill 29.

Mr. *Paul* presented a Bill to amend and extend the Franchise of Lodgers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (Ireland) Bill. Bill 30.

Mr. *William Johnston* presented a Bill to enable the Ratepayers of any locality to veto the issue of Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed.

Militia Bill. Bill 31.

Major *Rasch* presented a Bill to make better provision for the Militia, and with reference to the Law of Ballot for that force: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Justices of the Peace Bill. Bill 32.

Mr. *Owen* presented a Bill to amend the Law in regard to the Appointment, Qualification, and Removal of Justices of the Peace: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mining Easements Bill. Bill 33.

Mr. *Atherley-Jones* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Mining Royalties and Easements: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill. Bill 34.

Mr. *O'Neill* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Handloom Weavers in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed.

Old Age Provident Pensions Bill. Bill 35.

Mr. *Bartley* presented a Bill to provide Pensions in Old Age to the Provident Poor: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Irish Lights Board Bill. Bill 36.

Mr. *James O'Connor* presented a Bill to amend the Constitution of the *Irish* Lights Board: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

Payment of Wages Bill. Bill 37.

Mr. *David Randell* presented a Bill to provide for the priority of Payment of Wages in Bankruptcy and other cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed.

Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill. Bill 38.

Mr. *Bigwood* presented a Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1888," so far as relates to the promotion of Bills in Parliament by County Councils; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill. Bill 39.

Sir *Francis Powell* presented a Bill to make more effectual Provision for Prevention of the Pollution of Rivers and Streams: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Labourers' Dwellings (Ireland) Bill. Bill 40.

Lord *Frederick Hamilton* presented a Bill to facilitate the Erection of Improved Dwellings for Agricultural Labourers in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of May next; and to be printed.

Chartered Accountants Bill. Bill 41.

Sir *Reginald Hanson* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Chartered Accountants: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill. Bill 42.

Mr. *Seymour Keay* presented a Bill to provide for the better Housing of Farm Servants on Farms in *Scotland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

Registration Law Amendment Bill. Bill 43.

Mr. *Frye* presented a Bill to reduce the Period of Qualification for Registration for Parliamentary and other Elections: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill. Bill 44.

Mr. *John Redmond* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Municipal Franchise in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill. Bill 45.

Sir *Charles Dilke* presented a Bill to establish a single Franchise at all Elections, and thereby to abolish University Representation, and to remove the Disabilities of Women: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Elections (Second Ballot and Returning Officers' Expenses) Bill. Bill 46.

Mr. *Holland* presented a Bill providing for a Second Ballot in cases where no Candidate has received a majority of the recorded Votes, and for the payment of Returning Officers' Expenses: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

Beer Adulteration Bill. Bill 47.

Colonel *Kenyon Slaney* presented a Bill for better securing the Purity of Beer: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Shops Early Closing Bill. Bill 48.

Sir *John Lubbock* presented a Bill to provide for the earlier Closing of Shops: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

National Assemblies and Imperial Federation Bill. Bill 49.

Mr. *Burnie* presented a Bill to establish National Assemblies and Imperial Federation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill. Bill 50.

Mr. *Harrington* presented a Bill for the Reinstatement of certain Evicted Tenants in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next; and to be printed.

Workmen's Houses Tenure Bill. Bill 51.

Mr. *Donald Crawford* presented a Bill to make Provision with respect to the Tenure of the Houses of Workmen in certain Employments: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of May next; and to be printed.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill. Bill 52.

Mr. *Kearley* presented a Bill to give Facilities to Leaseholders for the Purchase of the Fee Simple of their Holdings: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill. Bill 53.

Mr. *Hopwood* presented a Bill for the Creation of a Court of Criminal Appeal and Revision of Sentences: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill. Bill 54.

Colonel *Long* presented a Bill to extend and amend the Provisions of the Agricultural Holdings (*England*) Act, 1883, so far as they relate to Market Gardens: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Tied Houses Tenants Contracts Bill. Bill 55.

Mr. *William Allen* presented a Bill dealing with Contracts entered into by the Tenants of Tied Houses: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary Elections Bill. Bill 56.

Mr. *Howell* presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Parliamentary Elections, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

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Church of Scotland Reference Bill. Bill 57.

Mr. *Thorburn* presented a Bill to provide for the Reference of the Question of the Disestablishment and Disendowment of the Church of *Scotland* to the Parliamentary Electors of *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill. Bill 58.

Mr. *Wrightson* presented a Bill to give facilities for the acquisition by Working Men of their own Dwellings: And the same was read a first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Poor Relief Disqualification Bill. Bill 59.

Mr. *Samuel Hoare* presented a Bill to remove, under certain circumstances, the Disqualification of Voters in receipt of Poor Relief: and the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time npon Wednesday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill. Bill 60.

Mr. *William Redmond* presented a Bill to provide for Compulsory Sale of Land in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed.

Sunday Closing (Wales) Act (1881) Amendment Bill. Bill 61.

Mr. *Herbert Roberts* presented a Bill to amend the Sunday Closing (*Wales*) Act, 1881: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Town Leaseholds Extension (Ireland) Bill. Bill 62.

Mr. *William Kenny* presented a Bill to enable certain Under-lessees in Towns in *Ireland* to acquire the Reversions in their Holdings: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill. Bill 63.

Mr. *Stuart-Wortley* presented a Bill to amend the Merchandise Marks Act, 1877 and 1891, in respect of the Marking of Files: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill. Bill 64.

Mr. *Elliott-Lees* presented a Bill to enable Officers and Seamen of the Royal Navy and Mercantile Marine to record their Votes when by reason of their Calling they will be at Sea on the day of the Poll: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Agricultural Holdings Bill. Bill 65.

Mr. *Channing* presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Agricultural Holdings in *England*, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed.

Old Age Pensions Bill. Bill 66.

Mr. *Rankin* presented a Bill for the purpose of establishing a National System of Old Age Pensions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed.

Cheap Trains (London) Bill. Bill 67.

Sir *Blundell Maple* presented a Bill to secure the provision of Cheap Trains in *London*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time npon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Plumbers' Registration Bill. Bill 68.

Mr. *Knowles* presented a Bill for the National Registration of Plumbers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Justices of the Peace (Qualification) Bill. Bill 69.

Mr. *Dodd* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Qualification and Appointment of Justices of the Peace in Counties: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of May next; and to be printed.

Labourers (Ireland) Bill. Bill 70.

Mr. *Clancy* presented a Bill to amend and extend the Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Land Tenure (England) Bill. Bill 71.

Mr. *William Smith* presented a Bill to amend the relations between Landlord and Tenant as to the Terms of Tenancy and Conditions of Occupation of Land: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill. Bill 72.

Mr. *Stern* presented a Bill for facilitating the operation of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, in so far as it relates to Rural Sanitary Districts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill. Bill 73.

Mr. *Butcher* presented a Bill to establish Boards of Conciliation and Arbitration in Trade Disputes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February, and to be printed.

Irish Education Act (1892) Amendment Bill. Bill 74.

Dr. *Kenny* presented a Bill to amend the *Irish* Education Act, 1892: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of May next; and to be printed.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill. Bill 75.

Mr. *Tully* presented a Bill to amend the Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day or this instant February; and to be printed.

School Board for London Elections Bill. Bill 76.

Mr. *Pickersgill* presented a Bill to alter the Divisions of *London* for the Election of the School Board: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of March next; and to be printed.

Metropolis Management (Saint Paul, Deptford) Bill. Bill 77.

Mr. *Darling* presented a Bill to amend the Metropolis Management Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 12th day of March next; and to be printed.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill. Bill 78.

Sir *Henry James* presented a Bill to amend the Factory and Workshops Act, 1891: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Street Music Bill. Bill 79.

Mr. *Jacoby* presented a Bill to control Itinerant Street Musicians: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of April next; and to be printed.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Acts Extension Bill.

Bill 80.

Sir *William Wedderburn* presented a Bill to extend to the Counties of *Banff, Aberdeen, Kincardine, Elgin*, and *Nairn* certain provisions of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act, 1886, and any Acts amending the same: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

Bill 81.

Sir *John Lubbock* presented a Bill to confer additional Powers on Boards of Conciliation and Arbitration: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

Bill 82.

Mr. *Channing* presented a Bill to extend the Provisions of the Agricultural Holdings (*England*) Act, 1883, so far as they relate to Market Gardens: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which upon the 6th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Main Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

Agricultural Depression, &c.

And which Amendment was, at the end of the Question, to add the words, "And we humbly re-"present to Your Majesty that we view with the "gravest apprehension the disastrous condition of "the agricultural interest, the prolonged depres-"sion of the textile and other industries, and "the consequent increase in the number of "the unemployed; and we humbly express our "regret that Your Majesty's Ministers have "shown no appreciation of the extreme gravity "of the present situation"—(Mr. *Jeffreys*);

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: } 261.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 273.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

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And the Main Question being again proposed, and a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being after Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 11th February, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Aberdeen Harbour.

A PETITION of the *Aberdeen* Harbour Commissioners, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Harbour of *Aberdeen*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to brought in accordingly, by Dr. *Farquharson* and Mr. *Hunter*.

Ashey and Horringford Junction Railway.

A Petition of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway in the *Isle of Wight*, to be called the *Ashey and Horringford* Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Money Wigram* and Mr. *Warmington*.

Bray Township Improvement.

A Petition of the *Bray* Township Commissioners, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Bray* Township Commissioners to construct a Sewer for the more effectual Drainage of the Township; to supply Electric Light, for Public and Private purposes, within the Township and the Districts adjacent thereto, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *William Field* and Mr. *William Kenny*.

Bridlington and Quay Water.

A Petition of the *Bridlington* and *Quay* Water Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating and conferring powers on the *Bridlington* Water Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Commander *Bethell* and Mr. *Angus Holden*.

Brighouse Corporation.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Brighouse*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the sale of the Undertaking of the *Rastrick* Gas Company to the *Brighouse* Corporation; to extend the District of the Burial Board, and to make further and better provision in regard to the Water Supply, Health, Local Government, and Improvement of the Borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Wayman*, Mr. *Stansfeld*, Mr. *Rawson Shaw*, and Sir *Frederick Milner*.

British Gaslight Company (Staffordshire Potteries.)

A Petition of the *British* Gas Light Company, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill for empowering the *British* Gas Light Company, Limited, to expend further Capital at their *Staffordshire* Potteries Station, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Aird* and Mr. *Boulnois*.

Brymbo Water.

A Petition of the *Brymbo* Water Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Brymbo* Water Company to raise additional Capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *George Osborne Morgan* and Mr. *Herber Roberts*.

Central Ireland Railway.

A Petition of the *Waterford* and Central *Ireland* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the *Waterford* and Central *Ireland* Railway Company for the construction of new Railways to form part of the Central *Ireland* Railway, to authorise that Company and the *Kilkenny* Junction Railway Company to amalgamate their Undertakings, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Dunbar Barton* and Mr. *John Redmond*.

A Petition

Chelsea Water.

A Petition of the Governor and Company of *Chelsea* Waterworks, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Governor and Company of *Chelsea* Waterworks to lay down a new Main from *West Molesey* to *Surbiton*, to construct an additional Filter Bed and other Works at *Surbiton*, and to raise further Money by Debenture Stock, and to confer further powers upon them, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Webster*, Mr. *Boulnois*, and Captain *Bowles*.

Chelsea Water (Transfer.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the Governor and Company of *Chelsea* Waterworks, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*.

City and South London Railway.

A Petition of the City and South *London* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to further extend the Time for the purchase of Lands for the purposes of the City and South *London* Railway Act, 1890, and for the completion of the Underground Railway thereby authorised, and to empower the Company to raise additional Capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and, read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly. by Mr. *Caine*, Mr. *Brodie Hoare*, Mr. *Kimber*, and Mr. *Alban Gibbs*.

Clonmel Corporation.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Clonmel*, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Boundaries of the Borough of *Clonmel*, to provide for the transfer to the Corporation of *Clonmel* of the Undertaking of the *Clonmel* Gas Consumers' Company, Limited, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Condon*, Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*, and Mr. *Mandeville*.

Cranbrook District Water.

A Petition of *Edward Hardcastle*, *Edward Locke Tomlin*, *Reginald Pringle*, *Thomas Joyce*, *Frederick Fry*, *Charles Finnemore*, and *Edward James Holmes*, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the *Cranbrook* District Water Company and empowering them to construct Works and supply Water, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cornwallis* and Mr. *Lawrence Hardy*.

Croydon Corporation.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of *Croydon*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of *Croydon*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Sydney Herbert* and Mr. *Barrow*.

Derry City and County Railway (Abandonment.)

A Petition of the *Derry* City and County Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Abandonment of the Railway and Works authorised by the *Derry* City and County Railway Act, 1892, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *O'Neill* and Mr. *Ross*.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation.)

A Petition of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for the protection, reclamation, and improvement of the *Undercliff*, near *Dover*, and Lands adjoining the same, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Akers-Douglas* and Mr. *George Wyndham*.

Dublin (City) Steam Packet.

A Petition of the City of *Dublin* Steam Packet Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the Railway and Canal Traffic Acts applicable to the Steamers of the City of *Dublin* Steam Packet Company between *Holyhead* and *Kingstown*, during any Mail Contract; to authorise that Company to raise additional Money; and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Harrington*, and Mr. *William Kenny*.

Dublin Corporation.

A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the City of *Dublin*, for leave to bring in a Bill to make further Provisions with respect to the Supply of Water, by the Corporation of the City of *Dublin*; and with respect to the Supply of Gas in the said City; and with respect to Sanitary and other Matters, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Sexton*, Dr. *Kenny*, Mr. *Harrington*, and Mr. *William Field*.

Dublin United Tramways.

A Petition of the *Dublin* United Tramways Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the use of Mechanical Power upon the Undertaking of the *Dublin* United Tramways Company, Limited, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *William Kenny* and Mr. *Harrington*.

East Indian Railway.

A Petition of the *East Indian* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the *East Indian* Railway Company, of entering into Contracts for the Construction and Working of Extension or Branch Lines, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *James Kitson* and Sir *George Chesney*.

East London Water (Transfer.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill for the transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the East *London* Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*.

Glasgow and South Western Railway.

A Petition of the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers on the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Company for the Construction of Works, the Acquisition of Lands, and the raising of Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Herbert Maxwell*, Mr. *Baird*, Mr. *Cochrane*, and Mr. *Maxwell*.

Glasgow Corporation and Police.

A Petition of the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of the City and Royal Burgh of *Glasgow* and the *Glasgow* Police Commissioners, for leave to bring in a Bill to transfer to and vest in the Corporation of *Glasgow* the Powers of the *Glasgow* Police Commissioners, and of the several Municipal Trusts of the City; to make Provision for the Regulation of the Office of Town Clerk, and for the Appointment of Stipendiary Magistrates; to amend and extend the Police Powers within the City, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Baird*, Sir *Charles Cameron*, Sir *James Carmichael*, Mr. *Cameron Corbett*, and Mr. *Provand*

Glasgow Court Houses.

A Petition of the *Glasgow* Court Houses Commissioners, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *Glasgow* Court Houses Commissioners to borrow additional Money; to alter the Tenure of Office of the Commissioners; to alter the Date of the Annual Meeting of the Commissioners, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Charles Cameron* and Mr. *Caldwell*.

Grand Junction Water (Transfer.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill for the transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the Grand Junction Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*.

Great Eastern Railway.

A Petition of the Great Eastern Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers upon the Great Eastern Railway Company, for extending the periods limited for the Completion of certain Works, and the compulsory Purchase of certain Lands, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Penn*, Mr. *Round*, and Mr. *Cozens-Hardy*.

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time.)

A Petition of the Great Northern and City Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Powers for the Purchase of Lands for, and to extend the Time for the completion of the Great Northern and City Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Albert Rollit* and Mr. *Cozens-Hardy*.

Great North of Scotland Railway.

A Petition of the Great North of *Scotland* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer Powers on the Great North of *Scotland* Railway Company over and with respect to portions of the Highland Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hunter* and Dr. *Farquharson*.

Great Northern Railway.

A Petition of the Great Northern Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers upon the Great Northern Railway Company, and to vest in that Company the Undertakings of the *Wainfleet* and *Firsby* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Jackson* and Sir *Frederick Milner*.

Great Southern and Western Railway.

A Petition of the Great Southern and Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers upon the Great Southern and Western Railway Company, to provide for the transfer from the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland* to, and the vesting in, that Company of the *Clara* and *Banagher* Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Carson* and Mr. *Dunbar Barton*.

Hayward's Heath Gas.

A Petition of the *Haywards Heath* Gas Light and Coke Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating and conferring Powers on the *Haywards Heath* Gas Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Gathorne-Hardy* and Mr. *Stephens*.

Highland Railway.

A Petition of the Highland Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the Highland Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Inverness* to *Spean Bridge* and *Fort William*, and to construct a Pier at *Loch Linnhe*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Chaplin* and Mr. *Beith*.

Kent Water (Transfer.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill for the transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the Company of Proprietors of the *Kent* Waterworks, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*.

Lambeth Water.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of *Lambeth* Waterworks, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Company of Proprietors of *Lambeth* Waterworks to execute further Works and to raise further Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Matthews*, Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, and Sir *Edward Clarke*.

Lambeth Water (Transfer.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the Company of Proprietors of *Lambeth* Waterworks, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway.

A Petition of the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers on the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company with relation to their own Undertaking, and upon that Company and the *London* and North Western Railway Company with relation to the *Preston* and *Wyre* Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hornby* and Sir *William Houldsworth*.

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway.

A Petition of the *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Company for the construction of Works and acquisition of Lands and for the abandonment of some of their authorised Railways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Bromley-Davenport*, Mr. *Oldroyd*, and Mr. *Perks*.

Latimer Road and Acton Railway.

A Petition of the *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the time for the compulsory Purchase of Lands for and for the completion of the *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *George Hamilton* and Sir *Frederick Dixon-Hartland*.

Liverpool New Cattle Market and Railways.

A Petition of the undersigned *John Sutherland Harwood Banner*, 24, *North John Street, Liverpool*, Chartered Accountant; *Benjamin Cain, Sandon* House, *Merton Road, Bootle*, Butcher; *Hugh Cullen*, 24, *Sir Thomas Street, Liverpool*, Cattle Salesman; Sir *William Bower Forwood*, Knight, *Ramleh Blundellsands*, Shipowner; *William Nelson*, 41, *North John Street, Liverpool*, Steamship Owner; *George Nicholson*, 24, *North John Street, Liverpool*, Chartered Accountant; and *James Mark Wood*, 17, *Wood Street, Liverpool*, Merchant, for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate and confer Powers on the *Liverpool* Cattle Market Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Sandys* and Mr. *Ralph Neville*.

A Petition

London and North Western Railway.

A Petition of the *London* and North Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers upon the *London* and North Western Railway Company in relation to their own Undertaking and other Undertakings in which they are interested jointly with other Companies; and also for conferring Powers upon the Great Western Railway Company and the Midland Railway Company in relation to such other Undertakings, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *David Plunket*, Mr. *John Albert Bright*, Colonel *Loyd*, and Mr. *MacInnes*.

London and South Western Railway.

A Petition of the *London* and South Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring further Powers upon the *London* and South Western Railway Company, and to make further provision with respect to their Undertaking and other Undertakings in which they are interested, and for enabling the Company and the Midland Railway Company to acquire additional Lands in connection with the *Somerset* and *Dorset* Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Beach* and Sir *John Kennaway*.

London County Council (General Powers.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *London* County Council to make Street Improvements, and to purchase Lands for Various Purposes; to make provisions with respect to Contributions by Local Authorities, the arrangement of Polling Districts, the formation of Wards in Parishes, and the Management of Parks; to authorise the Grant of a Pension to the Chairman of Quarter Sessions for the County of *London*, and the Payment of Compensation in certain cases, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Benn*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, and Mr. *John Burns*.

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *London* County Council to make a new Approach to the *Tower* Bridge on the southern side of the River *Thames*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Benn*, and Mr. *Pickersgill*.

London County Council (Vauxhall Bridge.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *London* County Council to rebuild *Vauxhall* Bridge, and to execute other Works in connection therewith, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Cohen*.

London County Tramways.

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *London* County Council to work their Tramways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Benn*, and Mr. *John Burns*.

London Street Tramways.

A Petition of the *London* Street Tramways Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers upon the *London* Street Tramways Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Kimber* and Sir *George Russell*.

London Valuation and Assessment.

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Enactments relating to the Valuation and Assessment of Rateable Property in *London*; to establish a Tribunal to deal with Assessment Appeals, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway.

A Petition of the *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Company to divert and improve their authorised Railway, and to form Connections between the same and other Railways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Major *Rasch* and Mr. *Courtenay Warner*.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway (Abandonment.)

A Petition of the *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Abandonment of the *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Major *Rasch* and Mr. *Courtenay Warner*.

Metropolitan District Railway.

A Petition of the Metropolitan District Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the Metropolitan District Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Frederick Dixon-Hartland* and Mr. *Kimber*.

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment.)

A Petition of the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Abandonment of the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Beach* and Sir *John Kennaway*.

Midland Railway.

A Petition of the Midland Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer additional Powers upon the Midland Railway Company and the Midland and Great Northern Railways Joint Committee for the Construction of Works and the Acquisition of Lands to make Provision for the Transfer of the Undertaking of the *Cheltenham* Station Company to the Midland Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Frederick Mappin*, Mr. *Allison*, and Mr. *Coddington*.

Muirkirk, Mauchline, and Dalmellington Railways.

A Petition of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Construction of Railways from and to *Muirkirk*, *Mauchline*, and *Dalmellington*, and other places in the County of *Ayr*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Asher*, Sir *Charles Pearson*, and Mr. *Wason*.

Newmarket Gas.

A Petition of the *Victoria*, *Newmarket*, Gas Light and Coke Company, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating and conferring Powers on the *Newmarket* Gas Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *George Newnes* and Viscount *Chelsea*.

New River Water (Transfer.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for vesting in the *London* County Council the Water Undertaking of the Governor and Company of the *New River*, brought from *Chadwell* and *Amwell* to *London*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*.

A Petition

Norden Railway.

A Petition of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway to *Norden*, in the County of *Lancaster*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Snape*, Mr. *Maden*, and Mr. *Courtenay Warner*.

North British Railway.

A Petition of the *North British* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers upon the *North British* Railway Company in connection with their Undertaking; to construct Railways in connection with the *Kirkcaldy* and District Railway; to empower the East *Fife* Central Railway Company to make deviations in their authorised Railway; for amalgamating the *Kirkcaldy* and District Railway Company and the East *Fife* Central Railway Company with the Company, and for other purposes; was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Baird* and Mr. *Parker Smith*.

North Eastern Railway.

A Petition of the North Eastern Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer additional Powers upon the North Eastern Railway Company for the construction of New Railways and other works, and the acquisition of additional Lands; for the consolidation of certain of their Shares and Stocks; and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Joseph Pease* and Sir *Matthew White Ridley*.

North Middlesex Gas.

A Petition of the North *Middlesex* Gas Company, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating and conferring Powers on the North *Middlesex* Gas Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Stephens* and Mr. *Gathorne-Hardy*.

North Staffordshire Railway.

A Petition of the North *Staffordshire* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the North *Staffordshire* Railway Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Bill* and Mr. *Maclure*.

Scarborough Gas.

A Petition of the *Scarborough* Gas Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the *Scarborough* Gas Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Joseph Pease* and Mr. *John Ellis*.

Solway Junction Railway Transfer.

A Petition of the *Solway* Junction Railway Company and the *Caledonian* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to transfer the *Solway* Junction Railway to the *Caledonian* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James William Lowther* and Mr. *M'Ewan*.

Southend-on-Sea Corporation.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Southend-on-Sea*, in the County of *Essex*, for leave to bring in a Bill for reviving the powers granted by the *Southend* Local Board Act, 1887, for the making of one of the Piers by that Act authorised for empowering the Corporation of the Borough of *Southend-on-Sea* to construct a new Pier and for conferring further powers on the Corporation in relation to Buildings, Streets, and Sanitary Matters, and for making further and better provision for the Improvement, Health, and Local Government of the Borough, and for other purposes; was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Finch* and Mr. *Rentoul*.

South Metropolitan Gas.

A Petition of the South Metropolitan Gas Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to convert the Capital of the South Metropolitan Gas Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read, and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Edward Bayley* and Mr. *Banbury*.

South Shields Corporation.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *South Shields*, in the County of *Durham*, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the Corporation of the Borough of *South Shields* to apply for an increase of Aldermen and Councillors; to construct Street Tramway, Quay, and other Works; to make better provision for the Health and good Government of the Borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stevenson* and Sir *Charles Palmer*.

Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill for the transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*.

Strand Improvement.

A Petition of the Liberator Permanent Benefit Building Society, and *J. W. Hobbs* and Company, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the Widening of the *Strand* and of *Carting Lane*, and the taking of Lands in the Parishes of *Saint Martin-in-the-Fields* and *Saint Clement Danes*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read: and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Thomas Roe* and Mr. *Biddulph*.

Tenterden Railway.

A Petition of the South *Kent* Railway Company, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorise the construction of Railways from *Maidstone* to *Tenterden* and *Appledore*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Palmer*, Mr. *Laurence Hardy*, Colonel *Warde*, Mr. *Cornwallis*, and Mr. *Henniker Heaton*.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway.

A Petition of *Henry Ascott*, *G. M. Molesworth*, *Robert Dymond*, *E. J. Tattersill*, *J. H. Lockley*, *William Vaughan*, *Silvanus Webber*, *Henry Grant*, *John Essery*, *John Samuel Bulleid*, *Samuel Hooper*, and *George L. Fulford*, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from *Torrington* to *Okehampton*, in the County of *Devon*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read: and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Billson*, and Mr. *Mallock*.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway.

A Petition of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the *Uxbridge* and *Rickmansworth* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Halsey* and Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*.

Waterford and Limerick Railway.

A Petition of the *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers on the *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *O'Keeffe* and Mr. *William Kenny*.

Weaver Navigation (No. 1.)

A Petition of the several Persons whose Names are thereunto subscribed on behalf of themselves and others, being Trustees of the River *Weaver* Navigation,

Navigation, in the County of *Chester*, for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Provisions of the Acts relating to the River *Weaver* Navigation, so far as regards the Constitution and Management of the Trust created by those Acts, or some or one of them, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *de Tatton Egerton*, Mr. *Tollemache*, and Colonel *Cotton-Jodrell*.

Weaver Navigation (No. 2.)

A Petition of the Salt Union, Limited, Traders, and Toll-payers on the *Weaver* Navigation, for leave to bring in a Bill to substitute for the existing Trustees of the River *Weaver* Navigation a Representative Trust; and to transfer to such Representative Trust the Powers and Duties of the existing Trustees; and to repeal and amend certain Provisions of the Acts relating to the River *Weaver*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Lawrence* and Mr. *Willox*.

Weaver Navigation (No. 3.)

A Petition of *Brunner*, *Mond* and Company, Limited, for leave to bring in a Bill to substitute for the existing Trustees of the River *Weaver* Navigation a Representative Trust, and to transfer to such Representative Trust the Powers and Duties of the existing Trustees, and to repeal and amend certain Provisions of the Acts relating to the River *Weaver*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Brunner* and Mr. *Walter Long*.

West Highland Railway.

A Petition of the West Highland Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the West Highland Railway Company to construct new Railways and a Pier, to raise further Capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Baird* and Mr. *Parker Smith*.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the West *Middlesex* Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements.

A Petition of the There-undersigned, being the Undertakers under the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Acts, 1887, and Amending Acts, for leave to bring in a Bill for amending the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Acts, 1887, 1890, and 1892, for further extending the Periods limited for the compulsory Purchase of certain Lands, and for the Completion of certain Works, and for the Abandonment of the new Streets, Nos. 1 and 2, authorised by the Act of 1887, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Frederick Seager Hunt* and Mr. *Philip Stanhope*.

Whitby Water.

A Petition of the *Whitby* Waterworks Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to sanction certain Works constructed by and Expenditure of the *Whitby* Waterworks Company, to make void a certain Deed of Grant, to confer further Powers on the Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Theodore Fry* and Mr. *Joseph Richardson*.

York New Water.

A Petition of the *York* New Waterworks Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for empowering the *York* New Waterworks Company to raise additional Capital for altering the Name of the Company; to extend their Limits of Supply, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Charles Wilson* and Mr. *Grant Lawson*.

Leigh and South Central Lancashire Railway.

A Petition of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway in *Lancashire*, to be called the *Leigh* and South Central *Lancashire* Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Army (Ordnance Factories) (Appropriation Account.) No. 29.

Ordered, That the Army (Ordnance Factories) (Appropriation Account), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Barracks Act, 1890. No. 30.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Barracks Act, 1890, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Military Forces Localisation (Appropriation Account.) No. 31.

Ordered, That the Military Forces Localisation (Appropriation Account), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Duchy of Cornwall. No. 32.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Duchy of *Cornwall*, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues. No. 33.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, which were presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Imperial Defence Act, 1888 (Naval Section) (Australasian Agreement.) No. 34.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Imperial Defence Act, 1888 (Naval Section) (*Australasian* Agreement), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Charitable Endowments (London) No. 35.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Charitable Endowments (*London*), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Appropriation Accounts.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Appropriation Accounts of the Sums granted by Parliament for Civil Services, Classes I. to VII., and the Revenue Departments (including the Post Office Packet and Telegraph Services), for the year ended 31st March 1894; together with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and certain Reports upon Store Accounts.

Treasury Chest.

An Account showing all the Sums which have been received into the Treasury Chest, and which have been paid out of the same, between the 1st April 1893 and the 31st March 1894, and of the Liabilities and Assets of the Treasury Chest on the latter day; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Irish Land Commission (Judicial Rents.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return according to Provinces and Counties of Judicial Rents fixed by Chief Commission, Sub-Commissions, and Civil Bill Courts, as notified to the *Irish* Land Commission during the Months of October and November 1894, specifying Dates and Amounts respectively of the last increases of Rent where ascertained; also, Rents fixed upon the Reports of Valuers appointed by the *Irish* Land Commission

mission on the Joint Applications of Landlords and Tenants.

Committals (Ireland)

Mr. *John Morley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Returns from the Clerks of the Crown and Peace in *Ireland* of the Number of Persons committed for Trial in the year 1894.

Local Government Board (Ireland) (General Orders.)

Copies of Twelve General Orders issued by the Local Government Board for *Ireland* between the 11th May and 22nd December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Army (Regimental Debts.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Further Regulations under "The Regimental Debts Act, 1893."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Annual Reports for 1893 and 1893–94, Nos. 117 (*Trinidad* and *Tobago*), 118 (*Falkland Islands*), 119 (*Rodrigues*), 120 (*Mauritius*), 121 (*Straits Settlements*), 122 (*Labuan*), 123 (*Basutoland*), 124 (*Saint Lucia*), 125 (*Saint Helena*), 126 (*Ceylon*), and 127 (*Fiji*).

Cyprus.

Copy of Report of the Locust Campaign, 1894 (in continuation of [C. 7149] September 1893).

Emigration (Colonies.)

Copy of Report on the Emigrants' Information Office for the year ended 31st December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Africa (No. 1, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Administration of the *Niger* Coast Protectorate, August 1891 to August 1894.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1494.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 353.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Lunacy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Return to the Lord Chancellor of all Sums received by the Visitors of Lunatics for Travelling Expenses, or upon any other Account, from the 1st January to the 31st December 1894.

Parliamentary Constituencies (Electors) (United Kingdom.)

The Order made upon the 6th day of this instant February, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Parliamentary Constituencies (Electors) (United Kingdom), was read, and discharged.

Parliamentary Constituencies (Electors) (United Kingdom.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing, with regard to each Parliamentary Constituency in the United Kingdom, the Total Number, and, so far as possible, the Number in each Class of Electors on the Register now in force.—(Sir *Charles Dilke*.)

Colchester Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Colchester*, in the room of Captain *Herbert Scarisbrick Naylor-Leyland*, who, since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant February, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

And the Question being again proposed, The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Home Rule (Dissolution of Parliament.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by adding at the end thereof the words:—"And we humbly represent "to Your Majesty that the time has come when "it is the duty of Your Majesty's Ministers to "advise Your Majesty to dissolve the present "Parliament and submit the question of Home "Rule to the electors of the United Kingdom."—(Mr. *John Redmond*.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *William Redmond*, Dr. *Kenny*: } 236.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 256.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed, and a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Houses in Towns (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Houses in Towns in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Field*, Mr. *Clancy*, Mr. *Sexton*, and Sir *Thomas Esmonde* do prepare, and bring it in.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Valuation of Lands (*Scotland*) Acts: And that Sir *James Carmichael*, Dr. *Farquharson*, Sir *Thomas Sutherland*, Mr. *Donald Crawford*, Mr. *Baird*, Mr. *Paul*, and Mr. *Renshaw* do prepare, and bring it in.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the payment of Jurors in *Ireland*, and for other purposes connected therewith: And that Mr. *Ross*, Lord *Frederick Hamilton*, Mr. *Maurice Healy*, Mr. *John Redmond*, Captain *M'Calmont*, and Sir *Thomas Lea* do prepare, and bring it in.

Derelict Vessels (Reports.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better reporting of Floating Derelicts: And that Mr. *Macdona*, Mr. *Hozier*, Sir *Edward Harland*, Mr. *Wolff*, Mr. *Round*, Marquess of *Carmarthen*, and Mr. *Penn* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered,

Local Government (Scotland) Act (1894) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and explain the Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, 1894: And that Mr. *Renshaw*, Mr. *Cochrane*, Dr. *Farquharson*, Mr. *Buchanan*, and Mr. *Hope* do prepare, and bring it in.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the purpose of Marking Foreign and Colonial Meat: And that Mr. *Jeffreys*, Sir *Alexander Acland-Hood*, Mr. *Hanbury*, Mr. *Fellowes*, Mr. *Hozier*, Mr. *Horace Plunkett*, and Mr. *Wickham* do prepare, and bring it in.

Outdoor Provident Relief.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Outdoor Relief in Sickness and Widowhood to the Provident Poor: And that Mr. *Bartley* and Sir *Frederick Seager Hunt* do prepare, and bring it in.

Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Occupying Tenants of Houses and Places of Business to purchase the Fee Simple of their Holdings: And that Mr. *Bartley*, Sir *Frederick Seager Hunt*, and *General Goldsworthy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Companies Acts as to Registration of Debentures and other matters: And that Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Arnold-Forster*, Mr. *Mather*, Mr. *Bucknill*, and Mr. *Barrow* do prepare, and bring it in.

Libel.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Libel: And that Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Harry Lawson*, Mr. *Willox*, Mr. *Byles*, Mr. *James Palmer*, Sir *John Leng*, Mr. *T. P. O'Connor*, and Sir *Charles Cameron* do prepare, and bring it in.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill. No. 83.

Mr. *Field* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Houses in Towns in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 84.

Sir *James Carmichael* presented a Bill to amend the Valuation of Lands (*Scotland*) Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill. Bill 85.

Mr. *Ross* presented a Bill to provide for the Payment of Jurors in *Ireland*, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill. Bill 86.

Mr. *Macdona* presented a Bill for the better Reporting of Floating Derelicts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Local Government (Scotland) Act (1894) Amendment Bill. Bill 87.

Mr. *Renshaw* presented a Bill to amend and explain the Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, 1894: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill. Bill 88.

Mr. *Jeffreys* presented a Bill for the purpose of Marking Foreign and Colonial Meat: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Outdoor Provident Relief Bill. Bill 89.

Mr. *Bartley* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Out-door Relief in Sickness and Widowhood to the Provident Poor: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill. Bill 90.

Mr. *Bartley* presented a Bill to enable Occupying Tenants of Houses and Places of Business to purchase the Fee Simple of their Holdings: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of March next; and to be printed.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill. Bill 91.

Sir *Albert Rollit* presented a Bill to amend the Companies Acts as to the Registration of Debentures, and other matters: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Libel Bill. Bill 92.

Sir *Albert Rollit* presented a Bill to amend the Law of Libel: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday, the 20th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Post Office (Revenue and Expenditure.) No. 36.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Revenue and Expenditure of the Post Office for each year from 1869-70 (in substitution for Parliamentary Paper, No. 378, of Session 1893), and an Estimate of the same for the year ended the 31st day of March 1895, in the following Form:—

Revenue.				Expenditure.													
				Sites and Buildings.								Other Expenditure.					
Year.	Postal Receipts.	Extra Receipts.	Estimated Value of Services to other Departments.	Total.	Purchase.	Erection.	Superannuation.	Salaries, Wages, &c.	Percentage of Salaries, &c., to Total Revenue.	Conveyance of Mails.	Percentage of Conveyance of Mails to Total Revenue.	Packet Service.	Under Post Office Vote.	Under other Votes.	Total Expenditure.	Percentage of Total Expenditure to Total Revenue.	Net Revenue.	Net Revenue, after deducting Columns 8 and 6.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		9		10	11	12	13		14	15

Mr *Arnold Morley* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Post Office Telegraphs (Revenue and Expenditure.) No. 37.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Revenue and Expenditure of the Post Office for each year from 1869–70 (in substitution for Parliamentary Paper, No. 379, of Session 1893), and an Estimate of the same for the year ended the 31st day of March 1895, in the following Form:—

Revenue.				Exenditure.													
				Sites and Buildings.								Other Expenditure.					
Year.	Telegraph Receipts.	Extra Receipts.	Estimated Value of Services to other Departments.	Total.	Purchase.	Erection.	Telegraph Extension.	Superannuations.	Salaries, Wages, &c.	Percentage of Salaries, Wages, &c., to Total Revenue.	Maintenance of Telegraph System.	Percentage of Maintenance of Telegraph System to Total Revenue.	Under Telegraph Vote.	Under other Votes.	Total Expenditure.	Percentage of Total Expenditure to Total Revenue.	Net Revenue.	Net Revenue after deducting Columns 5, 6, and 7.	Interest on Stock created for Purchase of Telegraphs.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		10		11	12	13		14	15	16

Mr. *Arnold Morley* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday the 25th day of this instant February, the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Midnight, adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 12*th February*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bill Petitions (Standing Orders not complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:

New Ross and *Waterford* Junction Railways.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Aberdeen Harbour Bill.

A Bill to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Harbour of *Aberdeen*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ashey and Horringford Junction Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway in the *Isle of Wight*, to be called the *Ashey* and *Horringford* Junction Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Bray Township Improvement Bill.

A Bill to authorise the *Bray* Township Commissioners to construct a Sewer for the more effectual drainage of the Township; to supply Electricity for public and private purposes within the Township and the Districts adjacent thereto, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

A Bill for incorporating and conferring further Powers on the *Bridlington* Water Company, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Brighouse Corporation Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Sale of the Undertaking of the *Rastrick* Gas Company to the *Brighouse* Corporation, to extend the District of the Burial Board, and to make further and better provision in regard to the Water Supply, Health, Local Government, and Improvement of the Borough, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

British Gaslight Company (Staffordshire Potteries) Bill.

A Bill for empowering the *British* Gas Light Company, Limited, to expend further Capital at their *Staffordshire Potteries* Station was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Brymbo Water Bill.

A Bill to authorise the *Brymbo* Water Company to raise additional Capital, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Central Ireland Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the *Waterford* and Central *Ireland* Railway Company for the construction of new Railways to form part of the Central *Ireland* Railway, to authorise that Company and the *Kilkenny* Junction Railway Company to amalgamate their Undertakings, and for other purposes, was read the first time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Chelsea Water Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Governor and Company of *Chelsea* Waterworks to lay down a new Main from *West Molesey* to *Surbiton*, to construct an additional Filter Bed and other Works at *Surbiton*, and to raise further Money by Debenture Stock, and to confer further Powers upon them, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

City and South London Railway Bill.

A Bill to further extend the Time for the Purchase of Lands for the purposes of the City and South *London* Railway Act, 1890, and for the completion of the Underground Railway thereby authorised, and to empower the Company to raise additional Capital, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Clonmel Corporation Bill.

A Bill to extend the Boundaries of the Borough of *Clonmel*; to provide for the Transfer to the Corporation of *Clonmel* of the Undertaking of the *Clonmel* Gas Consumers Company (Limited), and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Cranbrook District Water Bill.

A Bill for incorporating the *Cranbrook* District Water Company, and empowering them to construct Works and supply Water, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Croydon Corporation Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers upon the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of *Croydon*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Derry City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Abandonment of the Railway and Works authorised by the *Derry* City and County Railway Act, 1892, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

A Bill for the Protection, Reclamation, and Improvement of the *Undercliff* near *Dover* and Lands adjoining the same, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Dublin (City) Steam Packet Bill.

A Bill for making the Railway and Canal Traffic Acts applicable to the Steamers of the City of *Dublin* Steam Packet Company, between *Holyhead* and *Kingstown*, during any Mail Contract, to authorise that Company to raise additional Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Dublin Corporation Bill.

A Bill to make further provisions with respect to the supply of Water by the Corporation of the City of *Dublin*, and with respect to the supply of Gas in the said City, and with respect to Sanitary and other matters, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Dublin United Tramways Bill.

A Bill to authorise the use of Mechanical Power upon the Undertaking of the *Dublin* United Tramways Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time: and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Bill

East Indian Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the *East Indian* Railway Company of entering into contracts for the construction and working of extension of branch lines, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.

A Bill for conferring further Powers on the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Company for the construction of Works, the acquisition of Lands and the raising of Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

A Bill to transfer to and vest in the Corporation of *Glasgow* the Powers of the *Glasgow* Police Commissioners and of the several Municipal Trusts of the City, to make provision for the regulation of the Office of Town Clerk and for the appointment of Stipendiary Magistrates, to amend and extend the Police Powers within the City, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Glasgow Court Houses Bill.

A Bill to authorise the *Glasgow* Court Houses Commissioners to borrow additional Money, to alter the Tenure of Office of the Commissioners, to alter the Date of the Annual Meeting of the Commissioners, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Great Eastern Railway Bill.

A Bill for conferring further Powers upon the Great Eastern Railway Company, for extending the periods limited for the completion of certain Works and the compulsory purchase of certain Lands, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

A Bill to extend the Powers for the purchase of Lands for and to extend the time for the completion of the Great Northern and City Railway, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Great Northern Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers upon the Great Northern Railway Company, and to vest in that Company the Undertakings of the *Wainfleet* and *Firsby* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Great North of Scotland Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer Powers on the Great North of *Scotland* Railway Company over and with respect to portions of the Highland Railway, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Great Southern and Western Railway Bill.

A Bill for conferring further Powers upon the Great Southern and Western Railway Company, to provide for the transfer from the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland* to and the vesting in that Company of the *Clara* and *Banagher* Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Hayward's Heath Gas Bill.

A Bill for incorporating and conferring Powers on the *Hayward's Heath* Gas Company, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Highland Railway Bill.

A Bill to empower the Highland Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Inverness* to *Spean Bridge* and *Fort William*, and to construct a Pier at Loch *Linnhe*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lambeth Water Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Company of Proprietors of *Lambeth* Waterworks to execute further Works and to raise further Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill.

A Bill for the transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the Company of Proprietors of *Lambeth* Waterworks, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

A Bill for conferring further Powers on the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company with relation to their own Undertaking, and upon that Company and the *London* and North Western Railway Company with relation to the *Preston* and *Wyre* Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Company for the construction of Works and acquisition of Lands, and for the Abandonment of some of their authorised Railways, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill.

A Bill to extend the Time for the compulsory purchase of Lands for and for the completion of the *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referrd to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Liverpool New Cattle Markets and Railways Bill.

A Bill to incorporate and confer Powers on the *Liverpool* Cattle Market Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

A Bill for conferring further Powers upon the *London* and North Western Railway Company in relation to their own Undertaking and other Undertakings in which they are interested jointly with other Companies, and also for conferring Powers upon the Great Western Railway Company and the Midland Railway Company in relation to such other Undertakings, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

A Bill for conferring further Powers upon the *London* and South Western Railway Company, and to make further provision with respect to their Undertaking and other Undertakings in which they are interested, and for enabling the Company and the Midland Railway Company to acquire additional Lands in connection with the *Somerset* and *Dorset* Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

A Bill to empower the *London* County Council to make Street Improvements, and to purchase Lands for various purposes; to make provisions with respect to Contributions by Local Authorities, the arrangement of Polling Districts, the formation of Wards in Parishes, and the Management of Parks; to authorise the Grant of a Pension to the Chairman of Quarter Sessions for the County of *London*, and the payment of Compensation in certain Cases, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach) Bill.

A Bill to empower the *London* County Council to make a New Approach to the *Tower Bridge* on the Southern side of the River *Thames*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London County Council (Vauxhall Bridge) Bill.

A Bill to empower the *London* County Council to Re-build *Vauxhall* Bridge, and to execute other Works in connection therewith, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London County Tramways Bill.

A Bill to enable the *London* County Council to work their Tramways, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London Street Tramways Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers upon the *London* Street Tramways Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London Valuation and Assessment Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill to consolidate and amend the Enactments relating to the Valuation and Assessment of Rateable Property in *London*, to establish a Tribunal to deal with Assessment Appeals, and for other purposes, be read the first time;

Point of Order raised.

And a Point of Order being raised;

Ordered, That the Further Proceeding on the First Reading be deferred till Thursday next.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorise the *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Company to divert and improve their authorised Railway, and to form connections between the same and other Railways, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

A Bill for the Abandonment of the *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Metropolitan District Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the Metropolitan District Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

A Bill for the Abandonment of the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Midland Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer additional Powers upon the Midland Railway Company and the Midland and Great Northern Railways Joint Committee for the Construction of Works and the Acquisition of Lands; to make provision for the Transfer of the Undertaking of the *Cheltenham* Station Company to the Midland Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Muirkirk, Mauchline, and Dalmellington Railways Bill.

A Bill to authorise the Construction of Railways from and to *Muirkirk*, *Mauchline*, and *Dalmellington* and other places in the County of *Ayr*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Newmarket Gas Bill.

A Bill for incorporating and conferring Powers on the *Newmarket* Gas Company, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Norden Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway to *Norden*, in the County of *Lancaster*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

North British Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers upon the *North British* Railway Company in connection with their Undertaking, to construct Railways in connection with the *Kirkcaldy* and District Railway; to empower the *East Fife* Central Railway Company to make Deviations in their authorised Railway, for amalgamating the *Kirkcaldy* and District Railway Company and the *East Fife* Central Railway Company with the Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

North Eastern Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer additional Powers upon the North Eastern Railway Company for the construction of New Railways and other Works and the acquisition of additional Lands, for the consolidation of certain of their Shares and Stocks, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

North Middlesex Gas Bill.

A Bill for incorporating and conferring Powers on the North *Middlesex* Gas Company, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

North Staffordshire Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer futher Powers on the North *Staffordshire* Railway Company, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Scarborough Gas Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the *Scarborough* Gas Company, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Solway Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill.

A Bill to transfer the *Solway* Junction Railway to the *Caledonian* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill.

A Bill for reviving the Powers granted by the *Southend* Local Board Act, 1887, for the making of one of the Piers by that Act authorised for empowering the Corporation of the Borough of *Southend-on-Sea* to construct a new Pier; and for conferring further Powers on the Corporation in relation to Buildings, Streets, and Sanitary Matters; and for making further and better provision for the Improvement, Health, and Local Government of the Borough, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

South Metropolitan Gas Bill.

A Bill to convert the Capital of the South Metropolitan Gas Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

South Shields Corporation Bill.

A Bill to empower the Corporation of the Borough of *South Shields* to apply for an increase of Aldermen and Councillors; to construct Street Tramway, Quay, and other Works; to make better provision for the Health and good Government of the Borough, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

A Bill for the transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill

Strand Improvement Bill.

A Bill to authorise the widening of the *Strand* and of *Carting-lane*, and the taking of Lands in the Parishes of *Saint Martin-in-the-Fields* and *Saint Clement Danes*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Tenterden Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorise the construction of Railways from *Maidstone* to *Tenterden* and *Appledore*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from *Torrington* to *Okehampton*, in the County of *Devon*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill.

A Bill for incorporating the *Uxbridge* and *Rickmansworth* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Waterford and Limerick Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers on the *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Company, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Weaver Navigation (No. 1) Bill.

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Provisions of the Acts relating to the River *Weaver* Navigation so far as regards the Constitution and Management of the Trust created by those Acts or some or one of them, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Weaver Navigation (No. 2) Bill.

A Bill to substitute for the existing Trustees of the River *Weaver* Navigation a Representative Trust, and to transfer to such Representative Trust the Powers and Duties of the existing Trustees, and to repeal and amend certain Provisions of the Acts relating to the River *Weaver*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Weaver Navigation (No. 3) Bill.

A Bill to substitute for the existing Trustees of the River *Weaver* Navigation a Representative Trust; and to transfer to such Representative Trust the Powers and Duties of the existing Trustees, and to repeal and amend certain Provisions of the Acts relating to the River *Weaver*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

West Highland Railway Bill.

A Bill to empower the West Highland Railway Company to construct new Railways and a Pier; to raise further Capital, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

A Bill for amending the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Acts, 1887, 1890, and 1892; for further extending the periods limited for the compulsory purchase of certain Lands and for the completion of certain Works; and for the abandonment of the new Streets, Nos. 1 and 2, authorised by the Act of 1887, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Whitby Water Bill.

A Bill to sanction certain Works constructed by and Expenditure of the *Whitby* Waterworks Company, to make void a certain Deed of Grant, to confer further Powers on the Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

York New Water Bill.

A Bill for empowering the *York* New Waterworks Company to raise additional Capital, for altering the Name of the Company, to extend their Limit of Supply, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Vide First Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petition presented by Lord Mayor of Dublin.

The House being informed, That the Lord Mayor of the City of *Dublin* attended at the door, he was called in; and at the Bar presented,—A Petition of the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of *Dublin*:—and then he withdrew.

Irish Political Prisoners.

And the said Petition, praying, in the name of justice and for the sake of mercy, and with a view to removing a just cause of discontent among the *Irish* people, that as these persons convicted of political offences, guilty though they may be, have been subjected to ample punishment, the sentences inflicted on them should now be reconsidered, with a view to their complete remission at an early date; that such action if followed by a generous measure of amnesty would remove the impression that a prolongation of the punishment will create, that these prisoners are treated with exceptional harshness because they are *Irishmen*, and would have a most beneficial effect on the minds and feelings of Her Majesty's *Irish* subjects and largely conduce to the preservation of peace and order in *Ireland*; and your Petitioners will ever pray, was read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Appropriation Accounts.)

Ordered, That the Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Appropriation Accounts), which were presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

No. 38.

Treasury Chest.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Treasury Chest, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

No. 39.

British Subjects (South African Republic.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting the Number of *British* Subjects resident in the *South African* Republic, and the proportion which their Numbers, &c., bear to the general population.

Colonial Conference, 1894.

Copy of Further Correspondence between Sir *Charles Tupper* and Sir *John Pender* on the subject of a proposed *Pacific* cable (in continuation of [C. 7553] Session 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Behring Sea Award Act, 1894.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council dated 2nd February 1895, under the *Behring Sea* Award Act, 1894, intituled, the "*Behring Sea* Award Order in Council, 1895."

Colonial Prisoners Removal Act, 1884, and Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Colonial Prisoners Removal Act, 1884, and Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 2nd February 1895, intituled, the "*Ottoman* Dominions (Prisoners' Removal) Order in Council, 1895.

Colonial Probates Act, 1892.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 2nd February 1895, applying the provisions of the Colonial Probates Act, 1892, to the Colony of *Natal*.

Extradition Acts, 1870 and 1873 (Germany.)

Copy of Order in Council, dated 2nd February 1895, for giving effect to a Treaty signed on the 5th May 1894, between Her Majesty and His Majesty the *German* Emperor for the Mutual Extradition of Fugitive Criminals.

Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 2nd February 1895, under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, intituled, "The *Cyprus* Coinage Order in Council, 1895."

International Copyright Acts, 1844 to 1886.

Copy of Order in Council, under the International Copyright Acts, 1844 to 1886, dated 2nd February 1895, to give effect to the Accession

sion of the Colonies of *Newfoundland*, *Natal*, *Victoria*, *Queensland*, *South Australia*, *Western Australia*, and *New Zealand* to the Copyright Convention between *Great Britain* and *Austria-Hungary*.

Mail Ships Act, 1891.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 2nd February 1895, intituled, "The Mail Ships (*France*) Order in Council (*Tasmania*), 1895."

Merchant Shipping Acts, 1854 and 1894.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 2nd February 1895, under the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1854 and 1894, approving an additional Bye-law relating to Pilotage at the Port of *Newport, Monmouthshire*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Civil Service Second Division Clerks.

No. 40.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, — Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Civil Service Second Division Clerks.

Trustee Savings Banks.

Sir *John Hibbert* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Third Annual Report of the Proceedings of the Inspection Committee of Trustee Savings Banks for the year ended 20th November 1894, with Appendices.

Supreme Court of Judicature.

Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Paymaster General on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature in respect of the Funds of Suitors of the Court in the year ending 28th February 1894; also, Account of the National Debt Commissioners for the same period in respect of Funds held by them on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Civil Service Second Division Clerks be printed.

Fishing Apprentices.

Mr. *Boyce* presented. by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Instructions issued by the Board of Trade to Superintendents of Mercantile Marine Offices at which Apprentices to the Fishing Trade are registered.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Workhouses (Consumption of Spirits.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 5th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Quantity of Spirits, Wine, and Malt Liquors consumed in each Workhouse in *England* and *Wales* in 1892 and 1893, with the Expenditure in each Workhouse for each kind of Intoxicating Liquor,, stating the Daily Average Numbers of Inmates in each Workhouse :—And, similar Returns for *Scotland* and *Ireland* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper No. 292, of Session 1892).

Polling Districts (Bath.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Resolution of the Council of the City of *Bath* with reference to an alteration of the Polling Districts of the City.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Imbecile and Epileptic Children in Workhouses.

No. 41.

Ordered, That there be laid before the House, Return showing the Number on the 1st day of September 1894 of Imbecile and Epileptic Children under 16 years of age in each Workhouse, separate Infirmary, School, or other similar establishment belonging to the Guardians of Unions in *England* and *Wales* (excluding the Metropolis), distinguishing the Number of such Children who were of dirty habits, and the Number who would, in the opinion of the Medical Officer, be likely to be improved by special training.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Tithe Commutation Maps (Fees for Inspection.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Fees received at each of the Registries of the Dioceses in *England* and *Wales* for Inspection of the third copy of the Tithe Commutation Maps and Apportionments deposited there, and of the Amount of Fees received for copying the same, during each of the three years 1891, 1892, and 1893 respectively.—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*).

Business of the House (Government Business.)

Ordered, That Government Business have precedence this Day and To-morrow. — (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer,)

Corporate Associations' Property.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better securing their Property to Corporate Associations, and for preventing the alienation of their Funds: And that Mr. *Howell*, Mr. Mr. *Barrow*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, Mr. *Benn*, Mr. *Cremer*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, and Mr. *James Stuart* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sport Regulation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the Hunting, Coursing, and Shooting of Animals kept in Confinement: And that Mr. *Alpheus Morton*, Sir *John Burran*, Mr. *John Burns*, Mr. *Diamond*, Major General *Goldsworthy*, Major *Jones*, Mr. *Macdonald*, Mr. *E. J. C. Morton*, and Mr. *Schwann* do prepare, and bring it in.

Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London (Baths and Wash-houses.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London* to provide Baths and Wash-houses within the said City: And that Mr. *Alpheus Morton*, Mr. *Boulnois*, Mr. *Alban Gibbs*, Sir *Reginald Hanson*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, and Mr. *James Rowlands* do prepare, and bring it in.

Joint Stock Companies' Register.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies to remove Names of Companies from the Register in certain cases: And that Mr. *Clough*, Mr. *Broad*, and Mr. *Kimber* do prepare, and bring it in.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act, 1886: And that Sir *Donald Macfarlane*, Mr. *Weir*, and Mr. *M'Leod* do prepare, and bring it in.

Jurors' Payment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Payment of Jurors: And that Mr. *Lloyd Morgan*, Mr. *Arthur Williams*, and Mr. *Abel Thomas* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to permit Appeals in Cases Stated for Divisional Courts in *Ireland* to the Court of Appeal: And that Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Dane*, Mr. *William Kenny*, Mr. *John Redmond*, and Mr. *Dunbar Barton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Trustee Act, 1893, in regard to the Investment of Trust and other Funds: And that Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Hanbury*, Sir *John Leng*, Mr. *Whiteley*, and Sir *Thomas Roe* do prepare, and bring it in.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Borough Funds Act, 1872: And that

that Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Hanbury*, Sir *John Leng*, Mr. *Whitley*, and Sir *Thomas Roe* do prepare, and bring it in.

Poor Law Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt certain Persons from the liability of Maintaining Relations who become chargeable to the Public Funds: And that Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Billson*, Mr. *Luttrell*, Mr. *Leon*, and Mr. *Halley Stewart* do prepare, and bring it in.

Game.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Game, and extend the Provisions of the Ground Game Act, 1880: And that Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Billson*, Mr. *Halley Stewart*, Mr. *Luttrell*, and Mr. *Leon* do prepare, and bring it in.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill. Bill 93.

Mr. *Howell* presented a Bill for the better securing their Property to Corporate Associations, and for preventing the Alienation of their Funds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Sport Regulation Bill. Bill 94.

Mr. *Alpheus Morton* presented a Bill to prohibit the Hunting, Coursing, and Shooting of Animals kept in Confinement: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London (Baths and Wash-houses Bill.) Bill 95.

Mr. *Alpheus Morton* presented a Bill to enable the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London* to provide Baths and Wash-houses within the said City: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Joint Stock Companies' Register Bill. Bill 96.

Mr. *Clough* presented a Bill to enable the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies to remove Names of Companies from the Register in certain cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill. Bill 97.

Sir *Donald Macfarlane* presented a Bill to amend the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act, 1886: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of May next; and to be printed.

Jurors' Payment Bill. Bill 98.

Mr. *Lloyd Morgan* presented a Bill for the Payment of Jurors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of March next; and to be printed.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill. Bill 99.

Mr. *Ross* presented a Bill to permit Appeals in Cases Stated for Divisional Courts in *Ireland* to the Court of Appeal: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill. Bill 100.

Sir *Albert Rollit* presented a Bill to amend the Trustee Act, 1893, in regard to the investment of Trust and other Funds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill. Bill 101.

Sir *Albert Rollit* presented a Bill to amend the Borough Funds Act, 1872: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Poor Law Amendment Bill. Bill 102.

Mr. *Lambert* presented a Bill to exempt certain Persons from the liability of Maintaining Relations who become chargeable to the Public Funds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Game Bill. Bill 103.

Mr. *Lambert* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Game, and extend the provisions of the Ground Game Act, 1880: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant February, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Finance (United Kingdom and India.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "And we humbly pray that Your "Majesty will be graciously pleased to direct "Your Majesty's Ministers, to so adjust the "financial relations between the United King-"dom and *British India*, with regard to all the "expenditure incurred in the employment of "*Europeans* in the *British-Indian* services, civil "and military, in this Country and in *India*, that "some fair and adequate portion of such ex-"penditure should be borne by the *British* Ex-"chequer in proportion to the pecuniary and "political benefits accruing to the United King-"dom from Your Gracious Majesty's sway over "*India*; and that the *British* Treasury should "sustain a fair and equitable portion of all ex-"penditure incurred on all military and political "operations beyond the boundaries of *India* in "which both *Indian* and *British* interests are "jointly concerned."—(Mr. *Naoroji*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

Distress in Ireland.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "And we humbly express our regret "that Your Majesty's Gracious Speech did not "contain a reference to the severe distress exist-"ing in some parts of *Ireland*, and failed to con-"vey an assurance that public works would be "undertaken to alleviate such distress."—(Colonel *Nolan*.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Nolan*, Mr. *William Redmond*: } 13.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 200.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 13*th February*, 1895:

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being after Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Local Government (Scotland) Act (1894) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Act (1894) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 13*th February*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Chelsea Water (Transfer) Bill.

A BILL for the Transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the Governor and Company of *Chelsea* Waterworks, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

East London Water (Transfer) Bill.

A Bill for the Transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the East *London* Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill.

A Bill for the Transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the Grand Junction Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Kent Water (Transfer) Bill.

A Bill for the Transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the Company of Proprietors of the *Kent* Waterworks, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

New River Water (Transfer) Bill.

A Bill to provide for vesting in the *London* County Council the Water Undertaking of the Governor and Company of the *New River* brought from *Chadwell* and *Amwell* to *London*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer) Bill.

A Bill for the Transfer to the *London* County Council of the Undertaking of the West *Middlesex* Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Trustee Savings Banks. No. 42.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Trustee Savings Banks, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant February, be printed.

Supreme Court of Judicature. No. 43.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Supreme Court of Judicature, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant February, be printed.

Workhouses (Consumption of Spirits.) No. 44.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Workhouses (Consumption of Spirits), which were presented upon the 12th day of this instant February, be printed.

Local Government Board (Ireland) (General Orders.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of General Order issued by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, dated 7th February 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Justices of the Peace (Counties and Boroughs.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23rd day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing Names, Addresses, and Date of Appointment of all Magistrates, appointed in each Borough and County in *England* and *Wales* between the 1st day of July 1892 and the 31st day of August 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 366, of Session 1893-94).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

County Courts.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Order, dated 22nd November 1894, made with the concurrence of the Lord Chancellor, Alteration of Bailiffs' Fee for Default Summons in Schedule B., Part 2, of Order of 1st January 1889, regulating Fees to be taken in County Courts.

National Debt (Military Savings Banks.)

An Account of the Gross Amount of all Moneys received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, on account of "The Fund for Military Savings Banks," pursuant to 22 & 23 *Vic.* c. 20, from the 19th September 1845 to the 5th January 1895.

Navy (Appropriation Account.)

Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Navy Services for the year ended 31st March 1894; also, Statement of the Surpluses and Deficits upon the Grants for Navy Services for the year ended the 31st day of March 1894, showing all cases in which the Navy Department has obtained the sanction of the Treasury to Expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year, together with Copies of the Representations made to the Treasury by the Board of Admiralty; also the Balance Sheet, showing the Ledger Balances on the 30th September 1894, the Date on which the Account of Naval Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1893-94 was closed; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, including also the Eighth Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General upon the Store Accounts of the Navy.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Education (Organised Science Schools.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Rules, by the Department of Science and Art of the Committee of Council on Education, for Organised Science Schools.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Light Railways.

Mr. *Bryce* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Light Railways.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Lunacy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Report made to the Lord Chancellor under the Lunacy Act, 1890, by the Visitors of Lunatics, of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the said Visitors, between the 1st day of July and 31st day of December 1894.

The

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant February.

Distress from Want of Employment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report as to—

(a) The extent to which distress, arising from want of employment, prevails;

(b) The powers at present possessed by local authorities in relation to such cases;

(c) Any steps which may be taken, whether by changes in legislation or administration, to deal with the evils arising therefrom—(Mr. *John Morley*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting in paragraph (b), after the word "authorities" the words "or Departments of State."—(Mr. *Keir-Hardie*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

An Amendment was made to the Question, by inserting, in paragraph (b), after the word "local," the words "or central."

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "And (d) to make an interim "report to the House on or before Monday 25th "February on what steps should be taken either "by Parliament, the Departments of State, or "local authorities, to meet the distress this "winter."—(Mr. *Keir-Hardie*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, in l. 1, by leaving out the words "on or before Monday 25th "February," and inserting the words "at the "earliest possible date"—(Mr. *Macdonald*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "at the earliest possible date" be inserted in the said proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "and (d) To make an interim report to the "House at the earliest possible date on what "steps should be taken either by Parliament, "the Departments of State, or local authorities, "to meet the distress this winter," be added after paragraph (c):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report as to—

(a) The extent to which distress, arising from want of employment, prevails;

(b) The powers at present possessed by local or central authorities in relation to such cases;

(c) Any steps which may be taken, whether by changes in legislation or administration, to deal with the evils arising therefrom; and

(d) To make an Interim Report to the House at the earliest possible date on what steps should be taken either by Parliament, the Departments of State, or local authorities, to meet the distress this winter.

—(Mr. *John Morley*.)

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant February, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament)—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Treason Felony Acts (Release of Prisoners.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "And we humbly represent to Your "Majesty that the time has come when the cases "of all prisoners convicted under the Treason "Felony Acts who are and have been for many "years undergoing punishment for offences "arising out of insurrectionary movements con-"nected with *Ireland* may be advantageously "reconsidered."—(Mr. *Clancy*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. *Sexton*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, Dr. *Tanner*:	79.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	286.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being after half-an-hour after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Leicester Writs.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report on the Returns made to this House to the two Writs issued on 22nd August 1894, for the return of Members to serve for the Borough of *Leicester*, and the circumstances attending the holding of the Election, and whether the case is such as to require further action in respect of such Returns on the part of the House"—(Sir *Henry James*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Local Government (Scotland) Act (1894) Amendment Bill.

The Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, 1894, Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Weights and Measures.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire whether any and what changes in the present system of Weights and Measures should be adopted.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir *John Barran*, Mr. *Burt*, Mr. *Crombie*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *Alban Gibbs*, Mr. *Godson*, Sir *Edward Hill*, Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Sir *Samuel Montagu*, Mr. *Jasper More*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Sir *Henry Roscoe*, Mr. *James Stevenson*, Mr. *Stewart Wallace*, Mr. *Webster*, Mr. *Whiteley*, and Mr. *Wrightson*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Sir *Albert Rollit*.)

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Merchant Shipping Acts: And that Mr. *Neville*, Mr. *Willox*, Mr. *Baird* and Mr. *W. F. D. Smith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Merchant Shipping Acts: And that Mr. *Field*, Mr. *Clancy*, Mr. *Minch*, Mr. *Pinkerton*, and Mr. *William Johnston* do prepare, and bring it in.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Licensing of Beerhouses and Places for the Sale of Cider and Wine by Retail in *England* and *Wales*: And that Mr. *Herbert Lewis*, Mr. *Courtney*, Mr. *Crosfield*, and Mr. *Snape* do prepare, and bring it in.

Licensing Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Licensing Acts: And that Mr. *Broadhurst*, Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*, Mr. *Logan*, Mr. *Charles M'Laren*, and Mr. *Hazell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 104.

Mr. *Neville* presented a Bill to amend the Merchant Shipping Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of March next; and to be printed.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill. Bill 105.

Mr. *Field* presented a Bill to amend the Merchant Shipping Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 106.

Mr. *Herbert Lewis* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Licensing of Beerhouses and Places for the Sale of Cider and Wine by Retail in *England* and *Wales*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 107.

Mr. *Broadhurst* presented a Bill to amend the Licensing Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 14*th February*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bill Petitions (Standing Orders not complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:

Cork and *Fermoy* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

London Valuation and Assessment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the First Reading of the *London* Valuation and Assessment Bill;

Mr. Speaker states his opinion that the Bill ought to have been brought in as a Public Bill.

And Notice being taken that the scope and nature of the provisions of the Bill were such that they ought to have been comprised in a Public rather than a Private Bill, Mr. Speaker stated that, in his opinion, the Bill ought to have been brought in as a Public Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report. Justices of the Peace (Counties and Boroughs.) No. 45.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Justices of the Peace (Counties and Boroughs), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed.

National Debt (Military Savings Banks.) No. 46.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the National Debt (Military Savings Banks), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed.

Navy (Appropriation Account.) No. 47.

Ordered, That the Navy (Appropriation Account), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed.

Imperial Defence Act, 1888 (Ports and Coaling Stations.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Account prepared under the Provisions of Part II. of "The Imperial Defence Act, 1888" (51 & 52 *Vic.* c. 32), showing the Money raised and issued out of the Consolidated Fund, the Securities created in respect thereof, and the Amount expended for the purposes of the said Act to the 31st March 1894; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

National Debt (Savings Banks and Friendly Societies.)

(1.) An Account of the Gross Amount of all Sums received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, on account of Banks for Savings and Friendly Societies in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, from their commencement at 6th August 1817 to the 20th November 1894:——(2.) An Account of the several Transactions which have taken place during the year ended 20th November 1894, in the Investment of all Moneys which came into the hands of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, for Savings Banks and Friendly Societies:——(3.) An Account showing the Aggregate Amount of the Liabilities of the Government to the Trustees of Savings Banks and Friendly Societies respectively, on 20th November 1894, &c.

Army (Appropriation Account.)

Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Army Services for the year ended 31st March 1894; also, Statement of the Surpluses and Deficits upon the Grants for Army Services, for the year ended the 31st March 1894, showing all Cases in which the War Department has obtained the sanction of the Treasury to Expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year, together with Copies of the Representations made to the Treasury by that Department; also the Balance Sheet, showing the Ledger Balances on the 30th September 1894, the Date on which the Account of Army Receipt and Expenditure for the year 1893-94 was closed; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon; including also the Eighth Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General upon the Store Accounts of the Army.

Annual

Sea and Coast Fisheries Fund (Ireland) (Non-Congested Districts.)

Annual Account of the Sea and Coast Fisheries Fund (*Ireland*) (Non-Congested Districts), for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Education (Superannuation of Teachers.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Departmental Committee appointed by the Vice President of the Committee of Council on Education to consider the question of the Superannuation of Teachers in Public Elementary Schools.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Nationality and Naturalization (Miscellaneous, No. 3, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report from Her Majesty's Agent and Consul General at *Sophia*, inclosing an additional Article to the Law on *Bulgarian* Nationality (in continuation of Miscellaneous, No. 2, 1895).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India (Waste Land Grants in Burma.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the number of Waste Land Grants in *Burma* exceeding 1,000 Acres since the first day of January 1870; the Names of the original Grantees; Date of Grant; Conditions of Grant; whether Conditions fulfilled; Number resumed for non-fulfilment of Conditions; Dates and Particulars of Resumption; Date and Particulars of any Assignments of the original Grant; Names of present Proprietors; and Copy of all Rules at present in force relating to such Waste Land Grants.—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*.)

East India (Treasure Trove.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Finds of hidden Treasure since February 1878, exceeding in Amount or Value *Rs.* 3,000; with the Names of Finders; Nature and Amount or Value of such Treasure; Places in which Found; Date of Finding; Name of Claimants, if any; what was done with such Treasure; to whom it was eventually made over; to what extent the Government of *India* benefited by the Find; and, Copies of the Treasure Trove Act, 1878, and of all Rules made under Section 19 of the Act.—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*.)

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland.) No. 48.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Accountant General of the Supreme Court of Judicature in *Ireland*, in respect of the Funds of Suitors in the said Court, in the year to the 30th day of September 1894; together with a Statement of Liabilities and Assets, and Particulars of Securities in Court on the 30th day of September 1894.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 13th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament"—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

Treason Felony Acts (Release of Prisoners.)

And which Amendment was, at the end of the Question, to add the words,—"And we humbly "represent to your Majesty that the time has "come when the cases of all Prisoners Convicted "under the Treason Felony Acts who are and "have been for many years undergoing Punish-"ment for Offences arising out of Insurrectionary "Movements connected with *Ireland* may be "advantageously reconsidered"—(Mr. *Clancy*);

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there added:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by adding at the end thereof, the words "with special regard to "the extent of the Penalties provided by more "recent legislation for the specific offences "of which these prisoners were convicted, and "also to the sentences actually imposed in other "cases of a similar character."—(Mr. *Bodkin*.)

And the Question being put, That those words be added to the said proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words, "And we humbly represent to Your "Majesty that the time has come when the cases "of all prisoners convicted under the Treason "Felony Acts who are and have been for many "years undergoing punishment for offences "arising out of insurrectionary movements con-"nected with *Ireland* may be advantageously "reconsidered, with special regard to the extent "of the penalties provided by more recent legis-"lation for the specific offences of which these "prisoners were convicted, and also to the "sentences actually imposed in other cases of "a similar character," be added after the word "Parliament" in the Main Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Clancy*, Dr. *Kenny*:	111.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*. Mr. *M'Arthur*:	299.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

Appointment of County Magistrates.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words, "And we humbly express our "regret that Your Majesty has been unable to "inform this House that the Resolution of this "House of the 5th of May 1893, relating to the "appointment of County Magistrates, has been "fully carried out by Your Majesty's present "Advisers."—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

Maamtrasna Prisoners (Inquiry.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words, "And we humbly assure Your "Majesty that the present peaceful condition of "*Ireland* affords a fitting opportunity for an "inquiry into the circumstances attending the "trial and conviction of certain prisoners at "present suffering penal servitude in *Ireland*, "known as the *Maamtrasna* prisoners"—(Mr. *Harrington*);

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

Rule of the Road at Sea.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "And we humbly represent to Your "Majesty that the Order in Council made by "Your Majesty upon the recommendation of the "Board of Trade with the concurrence of the "Admiralty, on the 30th day of January 1893, "is calculated seriously to increase the dangers "of the sea, and we humbly pray that Your "Majesty will be graciously pleased to rescind "that Order.

"And, we further humbly pray that Your "Majesty will be graciously pleased to refuse "assent to the recommendation to Your Majesty, "of the Board of Trade with the concurrence "of the Admiralty, that Your Majesty should "make an Order in Council to carry into effect "the Revised Regulations for preventing Col-"lisions at Sea, as communicated to shipowners "by the Board of Trade Circular of 6th March "1894."—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles.*)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 15*th February*, 1895:

Leicester Writs.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant February, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report on the Returns made to this House to the two Writs issued on 22nd August 1894, for the return of Members to serve for the Borough of *Leicester*, and the circumstances attending the holding of the election, and whether the case is such as to require further action in respect of such Returns on the part of the House—(Sir *Henry James*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjonrned till Wednesday next.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Plumbers' Registration Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant February.

Local Government (Scotland) Act (1894) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government (*Scotland*) Act (1894) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Grocers' Certificates (Scotland) Abolition.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish Dealers' or Grocers' Certificates in *Scotland*: And that Sir *John Leng*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Govan*), Mr. *Crombie*, and Mr. *Dalziel* do prepare, and bring it in.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1894, so as to empower Parish Councils to provide or acquire Cottages for Labourers: And that Mr. *Dodd*, Mr. *Everett*, Mr. *Broadhurst*, Mr. *Arch*, and Mr. *Courtenay Warner* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mortgagees' Costs.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Costs allowed to Mortgagees: And that Mr. *Haldane*, Mr. *Walter Long*, Mr. *Cozens-Hardy*, Mr. *Stuart-Wortley*, Mr. *Neville*, Mr. *Butcher*, and Dr. *Commins* do prepare, and bring it in.

Special Juries.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for amending the Law as to Special Juries: And that Mr. *Walter Long*, Lord *Stanley*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, and Sir *Henry Roscoe* do prepare, and bring it in.

Poor Law Officers' Superannuation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for Superannuation Allowances to Poor Law Officers and Servants, and for Contributions towards such Allowances by such Officers and Servants, and to make other relative Provisions: And that Mr. *Walter Long*, Sir *Algernon Borthwick*, Sir *Frederick Fitz Wygram*, Mr. *Frye*, and Captain *Norton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Libraries (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Act: And that Mr. *Field*, Mr. *Clancy*, Mr. *Sexton*, Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, Mr. *William Johnston*, and Mr. *Carson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Grocers' Certificates (Scotland) Abolition Bill. Bill 108.

Sir *John Leng* presented a Bill to abolish Dealers' or Grocers' Certificates in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill. Bill 109.

Mr. *Dodd* presented a Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1894, so as to empower Parish Councils to provide or acquire Cottages for Labourers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of March next; and to be printed.

Mortgagees' Costs Bill. Bill 110.

Mr. *Haldane* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Costs allowed to Mortgagees: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of March next; and to be printed.

Special Juries Bill. Bill 111.

Mr. *Long* presented a Bill for amending the Law as to Special Juries: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of March next; and to be printed.

Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill. Bill 112.

Mr. *Long* presented a Bill to provide for Superannuation Allowances to Poor Law Officers and Servants, and for Contributions towards such Allowances by such Officers and Servants, and to make other relative Provisions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of March next; and to be printed.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill. Bill 113.

Mr. *Field* presented a Bill to amend the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Act: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 15th February, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Bray, Dalkey, Kingstown, and Blackrock Water.

A PETITION of the *Bray* Township Commissioners, for leave to bring in a Bill to constitute a Joint Water Board for the Township of *Bray*, *Dalkey*, *Kingstown*, and *Blackrock*, in the Counties of *Wicklow* and *Dublin*, to confer Powers on such Board for the construction of Works, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Sweetman* and Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Light Railways. No. 49.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Light Railways, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant February, be printed.

Imperial Defence Act, 1888 (Ports and Coaling Stations.) No. 50.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Imperial Defence Act, 1888 (Ports and Coaling Stations), which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant February, be printed.

National Debt (Savings Banks and Friendly Societies.) No. 51.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the National Debt (Savings Banks and Friendly Societies), which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant February, be printed.

Army (Appropriation Account.) No. 52.

Ordered, That the Army (Appropriation Account), which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant February, be printed.

Emigration Statistics (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Emigration Statistics of *Ireland* for the year 1894.

Irish Land Commission (Rules.)

Copy of a Rule issued by the *Irish* Land Commissioners, dated 9th January 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Paupers (Ireland and Scotland.)

Sir *George Trevelyan* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Number of Paupers including Children, receiving Relief in *Ireland* who were born in *Scotland*, classified as follows: The Numbers on the 31st day of December 1893 and the 30th day of June 1894 (or the nearest Dates for which the information can be given) receiving Relief in Workhouses; the Numbers receiving Out-door Relief; and the Numbers receiving Relief by being detained in Lunatic Asylums, or otherwise, as Lunatics or Imbeciles:—And, of the Number of Paupers, including Children, receiving Relief in *Scotland* who were born in *Ireland*, classified as follows: The Numbers on the 31st day of December 1893 and the 30th day of June 1894 (or the nearest Dates for which the information can be given) receiving Relief in Workhouses; the Numbers receiving Out-door Relief; and the Numbers receiving Relief by being detained in Lunatic Asylums, or otherwise, as Lunatics or Imbeciles (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 280, of Session 1878.)

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Statistical Abstract (Foreign Countries.)

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,— Copy of Statistical Abstract for the principal and other Foreign Countries in each year from 1883 to 1892–93 (Twenty-first Number).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 5, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agreement between *Great Britain* and *France* fixing the Boundary between the *British* and *French* Possessions to the North and East of *Sierra Leone*. Signed at *Paris*, 21st January 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sea Fisheries of the United Kingdom. No. 53.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statistical Tables and Memorandum relating to the Sea Fisheries of the United Kingdom, including Return of the Quantity of Fish carried by Railway from each of the principal Ports of *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*, during each of the years from 1889 to 1894, inclusive (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 12 of Session 1894).

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday the 1st day of March next, the Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of March next.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Return Tickets.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Passengers in Railway Trains and on Steamboats, &c., to make use of Return Tickets at any Time after the Date of Issue: And that Mr. *Alpheus Morton*, Mr. *Bousfield*, Mr. *John Burns*, Dr. *Clark*, Sir *John Leng*, Mr. *Lloyd Morgan*, Mr. *Provand*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, and Dr. *Tanner* do prepare, and bring it in.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Placing of a Mark of Origin on Foreign Goods: And that Colonel *Howard Vincent*, Sir *Henry Howorth*, Mr. *William Johnston*, Mr. *Maclure*, Colonel *Bridgeman*, Mr. *Godson*, Mr. *Brookfield*, Mr. *Spencer*, Mr. *Seton-Karr*, Mr. *Wrightson*, Mr. *Tomlinson*, Mr. *Field*, and Mr. *Baldwin* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Act, 1887: And that Sir *Charles Cameron*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Govan*), Mr. *Hunter*, Sir *John Leng*, and Mr. *Beith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Return Tickets Bill. Bill 114.

Mr. *Alpheus Morton* presented a Bill to enable Passengers in Railway Trains and on Steamboats, &c., to make use of Return Tickets at any time after the Date of Issue: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill. Bill 115.

Colonel *Howard Vincent* presented a Bill for the Placing of a Mark of Origin on Foreign Goods: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill. Bill 116.

Sir *Charles Cameron* presented a Bill to amend the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Act, 1887: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant February,

ruary, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "And we humbly represent to Your "Majesty that it is contrary to the public interest "that, under the guidance of Your Majesty's "Advisers, the time of Parliament should be "occupied in the discussion of measures which, "according to their own statements, there is no "prospect of passing into law, while proposals "involving grave constitutional changes have "been announced on which the judgment of Par-"liament should be taken without delay."—(Mr. *Chamberlain*.)

Conduct of Business by the Government.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Distress from Want of Employment.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Distress from want of Employment do consist of Twenty-five Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland*, Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Benn*, Mr. *Billson*, Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton*, Mr. *Griffith Boscawen*, Mr. *Bousfield*, Mr. *John Burns*, Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman*, Mr. *Crean*, Mr. *Keir-Hardie*, Mr. *Heneage*, Mr. *Wootton Isaacson*, Mr. *Jackson*, Mr. *Lawrence*, Mr. *Logan*, Mr. *Mather*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, Mr. *Randell*, Mr. *Renshaw*, Mr. *Round*, Mr. *Whiteley*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*), Mr. *John Wilson* (*Govan*), and Mr. *Stuart-Wortley*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Seven be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till Midnight, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 18*th February*, 1895.

The House met at Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Indisposition.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to indisposition:—

Prayers.

Whereupon Mr. *Mellor*, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:

Brymbo Water Bill.
Chelsea Water Bill.
City and South *London* Railway Bill.
Great Eastern Railway Bill.
Great Northern Railway Bill.
Great North of *Scotland* Railway Bill.
Highland Railway Bill.
Lambeth Water Bill.
Lancashire and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill.
London and South Western Railway Bill.
Metropolitan District Railway Bill.
North Eastern Railway Bill.
North *Staffordshire* Railway Bill.
Solway Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill.
South Metropolitan Gas Bill.
Whitby Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills (Standing Order 63 complied with.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, *viz.*:

Hayward's Heath Gas Bill.
Newmarket Gas Bill.
North *Middlesex* Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.*:

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Aberdeen Harbour Bill.

The *Aberdeen* Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ashey and Horringford Junction Railway Bill.

The *Ashey* and *Horringford* Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Brighouse Corporation Bill.

The *Brighouse* Corporation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Clonmel Corporation Bill.

The *Clonmel* Corporation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Dublin Corporation Bill.

The *Dublin* Corporation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The

Glasgow Court Houses Bill.

The *Glasgow* Court Houses Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lambeth Water (Transfer Bill.

Ordered, That the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

Ordered, That the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill be read a second time Tomorrow.

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach) Bill.

Ordered, That the *London* County Council (*Tower* Bridge Southern Approach) Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

London County Council (Vauxhall Bridge) Bill.

Ordered, That the *London* County Council (*Vauxhall* Bridge) Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

London County Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That the *London* County Tramways Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Muirkirk, Mauchline, and Dalmellington Railways Bill.

The *Muirkirk*, *Mauchline*, and *Dalmellington* Railways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Norden Railway Bill.

The *Norden* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill.

The *Southend-on-Sea* Corporation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Shields Corporation Bill.

The *South Shields* Corporation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Tenterden Railway Bill.

The *Tenterden* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill.

The *Uxbridge* and *Rickmansworth* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Weaver Navigation (No, 1) Bill.

The *Weaver* Navigation (No. 1) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Weaver Navigation (No. 2) Bill.

The *Weaver* Navigation (No. 2) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

Ordered, That the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Bray, Dalkey, Kingstown, and Blackrock Water Bill.

A Bill to constitute a Joint Water Board for the Townships of *Bray*, *Dalkey*, *Kingstown*, and *Blackrock*, in the Counties of *Wicklow* and *Dublin*; to confer Powers on such Board for the Construction of Works, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

New Ross and Waterford Junction Railways.

A Petition of the There-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making Railways, to be called the *New Ross* and *Waterford* Junction Railways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Cork and Fermoy Railway.

A Petition of *Robert Worthington*, of 40, *Dame Street*, in the City of *Dublin*, Promoter of the Bill, for leave to bring in a Bill to revive the Powers and extend the Period for the compulsory Purchase of Lands and Completion of certain Railways, and for the Abandonment of other Railways of the *Cork* and *Fermoy* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions.

Vide First Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Paupers (Ireland and Scotland.) No. 54.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Paupers (*Ireland* and *Scotland*), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant February, be printed.

Consolidated Fund.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Abstract Account, showing the Issues made from the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, in the Financial Year ended 31st March 1894, for the Interest and Management of the Public Funded and Unfunded Debt, for the Civil List, and all other Issues in the Financial Year, for Services charged directly on the said Fund; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Duchy of Lancaster.

An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of *Lancaster* in the year ended on the 21st December 1894, also a separate Account of the Capital of the said Duchy to the same Date.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Riots.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Riots appointed in May last by the Home Secretary.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India (Land Revenue.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 13th day of April 1893, for Returns showing for each Presidency and Province in *India*,—

	1860–61.	1891–2.
1. The Net Revenue derived from Land in each Presidency or Province, *e.g.*:—	—	—
a. *Madras* - -		
b. *Bombay*, &c., &c. -		
2. The Average Amount payable *per* Acre of cultivated Land in each Presidency or Province, *e.g.*, as in No. 1 - -		
3. The Acreage of uncultivated but cultivable Land in each Presidency or Province, *e.g.*, as in No. 1 - - -		

4. The Presidencies and Provinces in which a re-settlement of the Land Revenue has been made during the period 1860–61 to 1891–2.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 4, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaty between *Great Britain* and *Germany* for the Extradition of Criminals between the Territories of Her Majesty and certain Dependencies of *Germany*. Signed at *London*, 5th May 1894. Ratifications exchanged at *London*, 3rd December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Houses of Parliament (Frescoes.)

Mr. *Herbert Gladstone* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memoranda by Professor *Church*, F.R.S., furnished to the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., concerning the Condition of certain of the Wall-Paintings in the Palace of *Westminster*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Bank of England.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of all Applications made by the First Lord of the Treasury and the Chancellor of the Exchequer to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of *England*, for Advances to Government, authorised by Parliament, from the 5th January 1894 to the 5th January 1895, with a Copy of the Minutes of the Court of Directors thereon, and the Answers of the said Court thereto, pursuant to Act 59 *Geo.* 3, c. 76.

Electric Lighting. No. 55.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Reports of Inquiries held by Major *Cardew*, by direction of the Board of Trade, into the circumstances attending certain Accidents in connection with Electric Light Mains in the City and the *Euston Road*.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Metropolis Management (Saint Paul, Deptford) Bill.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Metropolis Management (*Saint Paul, Deptford*) Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.—(Mr. *Darling*.)

Sittings of the House (Exemption from the Standing Order.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Queen's Speech (Motion for Address), if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order, Sittings of the House.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Supply of Seed Potatoes to Occupiers and Cultivators of Land in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill. Bill 117.

Mr. *John Morley* accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the Supply of Seed Potatoes to Occupiers and Cultivators of Land in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 15th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Main Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*);

Conduct of Business by the Government.

And which Amendment was, at the end of the Question, to add the words, "And we humbly "represent to Your Majesty that it is contrary to "the public interest that, under the guidance of "Your Majesty's Advisers, the time of Parliament "should be occupied in the discussion of measures "which, according to their own statements, there "is no prospect of passing into law, while pro-"posals involving great constitutional changes "have been announced on which the judgment "of Parliament should be taken without delay"—(Mr. *Chamberlain*);

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there added:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 19*th February*, 1895:

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*. } 283.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 297.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 279.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Woods*, Mr. *Keir-Hardie*: } 271.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London (Baths and Washhouses) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London* (Baths and Washhouses) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of March next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No. 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved,

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 18th day of March next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make better provision for Sittings of the High Court of Justice, in the County of *Lancaster*: And that Mr. *Holland*, Sir *Henry James*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *Forwood*, and Mr. *Herbert Lewis* do prepare, and bring it in.

Irish Poor Law Expenditure.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Total Remuneration from all Public Sources of the Clerk to each Union; the Amount paid by the Guardians to the Solicitor to each Poor Law Board; and the Total Remuneration from all Public Sources of the Doctor of each Dispensary District in *Ireland*, during the past two years, in the following Forms:—

I.—Remuneration of Clerks to the Union.

Name of Union.	Clerk's Salary.		Other Remuneration.				Pension (if any) paid to former Clerk, giving his Age and Date when he was Pensioned.	Other Profession or Occupation of Clerk (if any).*
			Under Parliamentary Registration Acts.		From other Sources or under other Heads.			
	1893.	1894.	1893.	1894.	1893.	1894.		

* State here whether Clerk devotes his whole time to his work.

II. Remuneration of Solicitors to Boards of Guardians.

Name of Union.	Total Amount of Solicitors' Bills Paid.		Amount of Costs of Litigation.		Amount of Out-of-Pocket Expenses.		Costs under the Labourers Acts.	
	1893.	1894.	1893.	1894.	1893.	1894.	1893.	1894.

III.—Remuneration of Dispensary Doctors.

Name of Union.	Name of District.	Area.	Salary of Doctor.		Remuneration from other Sources.				Pension (if any) Paid to former Doctor, giving his Age and Date when Pensioned.
					Registration and Vaccination Acts.		From other Sources or under other Heads.		
			1893.	1894.	1893.	1894.	1893.	1894.	

—(Mr. *Knox*.)

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the Voting of Sea Fishermen in Parliamentary Elections in *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Crombie*, Sir *William Wedderburn*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Birkmyre*, Mr. *Wason*, Mr. *Tennant*, and Mr. *Beith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Trusts Administration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Liabilities to which persons are exposed under the present Law as to the Administration of Trusts, and whether any further Legislative provision might be made for securing adequate Administration of Trusts without the necessity of subjecting Private Trustees and Executors to the risks which they now run.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Butcher*, Dr. *Farquarson*, Mr. *Heneage*, Mr. *Kimber*, Sir *George Osborne Morgan*, Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*, Sir *Charles Pearson*, Sir *Henry Roscoe*, Mr. Attorney General, Colonel *Howard Vincent*, and Mr. *Warmington*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Colonel *Howard Vincent*.)

Convention of Royal Burghs (Scotland) Act (1879) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Convention of Royal Burghs (*Scotland*) Act, 1879: And that Mr. *Parker Smith*, Dr. *Clark*, Mr. *Cochrane*, Mr. *Donald Crawford*, and Mr. *Renshaw* do prepare, and bring it in.

Jurors Ireland (County Cork.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Jurors in *Ireland* so far as relates to the County of *Cork*: And that Mr. *Maurice Healy*, Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Edward Barry*, and Mr. *Timothy M. Healy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Parliamentary and certain Local Franchises to Women: And that Mr. *Walter M'Laren*, Mr. *Courtney*, Sir *Wilfrid Lawson*, Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Viscount *Wolmer*, Mr. *William Johnston*, and Mr. *Carvell Williams* do prepare, and bring it in.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill. Bill 118.

Mr. *Holland* presented a Bill to make better provision for Sittings of the High Court of Justice in the County of *Lancaster*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland) Bill. Bill 119.

Mr. *Crombie* presented a Bill to facilitate the Voting of Sea Fishermen in Parliamentary Elections in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 7th day of March next; and to be printed.

Convention of Royal Burghs (Scotland) Act (1879) Amendment Bill. Bill 120.

Mr. *Parker Smith* presented a Bill to amend the Convention of Royal Burghs (*Scotland*) Act, 1879: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Jurors, Ireland (County Cork) Bill. Bill 121.

Mr. *Maurice Healy* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Jurors in *Ireland* so far as relates to the County of *Cork*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of April next; and to be printed.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill. Bill 122.

Mr. *Walter M'Laren* presented a Bill to extend the Parliamentary and certain Local Franchises to Women: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 19th February, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Indisposition.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to the continuance of his indisposition:—

Prayers.

Whereupon Mr. *Mellor*, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Cranbrook District Water Bill.

The *Cranbrook* District Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Tuesday next.

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* County Council (*Tower* Bridge Southern Approach) Bill);

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Sir *Blundell Maple*):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the original Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

London County Council (Vauxhall Bridge) Bill.

The *London* County Council (*Vauxhall* Bridge) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

London County Tramways Bill.

The *London* County Tramways Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Consolidated Fund. No. 56.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Consolidated Fund, which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant February, be printed.

Duchy of Lancaster. No. 57.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Duchy of *Lancaster*, which were presented upon the 18th day of this instant February, be printed.

Bank of England. No. 58.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Bank of *England*, which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Statement of Trade.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of the Trade of *British India* with *British* Possessions and Foreign Countries for the Five Years, 1889–90 to 1893–94.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Education Department (Code, 1895.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Code of Regulations for Day Schools, with Schedules and Appendices, by the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education, 1895.

Education Department.

Copy of Revised Instructions issued to Her Majesty's Inspectors, and applicable to the Code of 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Railway, &c. Bills. No. 59.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report by the Board of Trade upon all the Railway, Canal, Tramway, Gas, Electric Lighting, and Water Bills and Provisional Orders of Session 1895.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Gross Estimated Rental and Rateable Value of Lands, &c.

The Order made upon the 5th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Gross Estimated Rental and Rateable Value of Lands, &c., was read, and discharged.

Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1869–70, and Gross Estimated Rental and Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1894.

Odered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, showing—

1. The Rateable Value of (1) Lands; (2) Buildings; (3) Railways; and (4) all other kinds of Property, according to the Valuation List or other record of Assessment which was last in force before the year ended Lady Day 1870, in each Parish and Union of *England* and *Wales*.

2. The Gross Estimated Rental and Rateable Value of (1) Lands; (2) Buildings; (3) Railways; and (4) all other kinds of Rateable Property in each Union in *England* and *Wales*, according to the Valuation Lists in force in the Metropolis on the 6th day of April 1894, and in the rest of *England* and *Wales* at Lady Day 1894, and where there were no such Lists in force according to the last Poor Rate made before such Dates respectively.

For the purposes of this Return—

(1) "Lands" should include farmhouses and farm-buildings, and tithe rent-charges and uncommuted tithes, but should exclude lands occupied as railways, canals, quarries, &c.;

(2) "Buildings" should include houses (other than farmhouses), shops. warehouses, mills, factories, docks, wharves, &c.;

(3) "Railways" should include stations and depôts; and

(4) "All other kinds of Rateable Property" should include quarries, mines, ironworks, gasworks, waterworks, canals, and all other rateable properties which do not properly come under Headings 1, 2, and 3.

3. Also showing for each Union the Population according to the Census of 1871 and 1891, the Amount per Head calculated on such Populations, of the Rateable Value in 1870 and 1894, and the Area in Acres (excluding Water) according to the Census of 1891.—(Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*.)

Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London (Baths and Washhouses) Bill.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London* (Baths and Washhouses) Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*.)

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Leigh and South Central Lancashire Railway.

1. That, in the case of the *Leigh* and South Central *Lancashire* Railway Petition, the Standing

Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that so much of the Plans, Sections, and Books of Reference as relate to the Parishes of *Wigan*, *Dean*, *Eccles*, and *Bowdon* be forthwith deposited with the Parish Clerks of the said Parishes; and that Notices of the objects of the Bill containing the Names of the said Parishes be forthwith published in the Newspapers prescribed by Standing Order No. 9; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Orders have been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society.

2. That, in the case of the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society, Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for a Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for a Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

East India (Military Expenditure beyond the Frontier.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, prepared for the Right honourable Member for South *Aberdeen*, showing Expenditure incurred out of the Revenues of *India* on the Construction of Railways and Roads, and on Military Expeditions and Explorations, and Subsidies to Native Chiefs beyond the West and North-West Frontier of *India*, from April 1882 to March 1891.—(Sir *William Wedderburn*).

Mines (Eight Hours.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to restrict the Hours of Labour in Mines to Eight Hours *per* Day: And that Mr. *Woods*, Mr. *Pickard*, Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *Jacoby*, Mr. *Bayley*, Mr. *Cremer*, Mr. *Randell*, Mr. *Abraham*, Mr. *Roby*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Leese*, and Mr. *Ernest Spencer* do prepare, and bring it in.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors: And that Sir *Henry Roscoe*, Mr. *Jacob Bright*, Mr. *Crosfield*, Mr. *Leake*, Mr. *Mather*, and Mr. *Charles Roundell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Waterford Infirmary.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Establishment of a Public Infirmary in the City of *Waterford*: And that Mr. *John Redmond*, Mr. *Ross*, and Mr. *Clancy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give Facilities to Industrial and Provident Societies for the Purchase of the Fee Simple of their Holdings: And that Mr. *James Rowlands*, Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Henry J. Wilson*, Mr. *David Thomas*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Crilly*, Mr. *Cameron Corbett*, and Mr. *Charles Fenwick* do prepare, and bring it in.

County Councillors (Qualification of Women.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Women to be elected and to act as County Councillors: And that Mr. *Spicer*, Mr. *Courtney*, Mr. *Walter M'Laren*, Mr. *Murray Macdonald*, and Sir *Stafford Northcote* do prepare, and bring it in.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Factory and Workshop Act, 1891: And that Mr. *Schwann*, Dr. *Clark*, Mr. *Edward Bayley*, Mr. *Howell*, and Mr. *Charles Fenwick* do prepare, and bring it in.

Grand Juries (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Grand Jury (*Ireland*) Laws: And that Mr. *Hayden*, Mr. *John Redmond*, Mr. *Clancy*, Mr. *Harrington*, and Mr. *Ross* do prepare, and bring it in.

Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Qualification of Poor Law Guardians in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Maurice Healy*, Mr. *Knox*, and Mr. *Timothy M. Healy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act, 1886: And that Dr. *Clark*, Mr. *Weir*, Dr. *MacGregor*, Mr. *M'Leod*, Sir *Donald Macfarlane*, and Sir *Leonard Lyell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Architects Registration.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Registration of Architects: And that Mr. *Atherley-Jones*, Mr. *Coddington*, Mr. *Walton*, and Mr. *Ernest Spencer* do prepare, and bring it in.

Accountants.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Accountants: And that Mr. *Atherley-Jones*, Mr. *Wason*, and Mr. *Kenny* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mines (Eight (Hours) Bill. Bill 123.

Mr. *Woods* presented a Bill to restrict the Hours of Labour in Mines to Eight Hours *per* Day; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill. Bill 124.

Sir *Henry Roscoe* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of March next; and to be printed.

Waterford Infirmary Bill. Bill 125.

Mr. *John Redmond* presented a Bill for the Establishment of a Public Infirmary in the City of *Waterford*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of March next; and to be printed.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill. Bill 126.

Mr. *James Rowlands* presented a Bill to give facilities to Industrial and Provident Societies for the Purchase of the Fee Simple of their Holdings: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February; and to be printed.

County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill. Bill 127.

Mr. *Spicer* presented a Bill to enable Women to be elected and to act as County Councillors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill. Bill 128.

Mr. *Schwann* presented a Bill to amend the Factory and Workshop Act, 1891: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of March next; and to be printed.

Grand Juries (Ireland) Bill. Bill 129.

Mr. *Hayden* presented a Bill to amend the Grand Jury (*Ireland*) Laws: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (Ireland) Bill. Bill 130.

Mr. *Maurice Healy* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Qualification of Poor Law Guardians in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of April next; and to be printed.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.
Bill 131.

Dr. *Clark* presented a Bill to amend the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act, 1886: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Architects Registration Bill.
Bill 132.

Mr. *Atherley-Jones* presented a Bill to provide for the Registration of Architects: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of March next; and to be printed.

Accountants Bill.
Bill 133.

Mr. *Atherley-Jones* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Accountants: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of March next; and to be printed.

Post Office Nominations.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that Post Office Nominations, which are now made by the Treasury on the recommendation of Members of Parliament and others, should in future be made to the Postmaster General by local representative bodies—(Mr. *Luttrell*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 4, by leaving out from the word "made" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "by the Postmaster General "in the same way as other appointments in "his Department"—(Captain *Sinclair*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "by the Postmaster General in the same way as "other appointments in his Department," be added after the word "made" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being proposed:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that Post Office Appointments to which Nominations are now made by the Treasury on the recommendation of Members of Parliament and others, should in future be made by the Postmaster General in the same way as other appointments in the Department.

Prison Made Goods (Importation.)

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, it is incumbent upon Her Majesty's Government, in the interests of the industrial classes of the United Kingdom, at once to take steps to restrict the importation of goods made in Foreign Prisons by the forced labour of Convicts and Felons.—(Colonel *Howard Vincent*.)

Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to control the Arrangements for the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms, in the Department of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Agg-Gardner*, Mr. *Anstruther*, Mr. *Broadhurst*, Lord *Burghley*, Mr. *Cremer*, Mr. *Fellowes*, General *Goldsworthy*, Mr. *Sidney Herbert*, Mr. *Jacoby*, Mr. *Leveson Gower*, Mr. *P. J. Power*, Lord *Stanley*, Dr. *Tanner*, and Mr. *Kearley*.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

The Shops (Early Closing) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Cheap Trains (London) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains (*London*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sport Regulation Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Deputy Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *Alpheus Morton* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Deputy Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public-houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) [Remuneration.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of Remuneration to any Inspectors that may be appointed under any Act of the present Session to provide for the Supply of Seed Potatoes to Occupiers and Cultivators of Land in *Ireland*;

Mr. *John Morley*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 20th February, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Bray Township Improvement Bill.

THE *Bray* Township Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Croydon Corporation Bill.

The *Croydon* Corporation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

The *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Liverpool New Cattle Market and Railways Bill.

Ordered, That the *Liverpool* New Cattle Market and Railways Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Weaver Navigation (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Weaver* Navigation (No. 3) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next.

Leigh and South Central Lancashire Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the *Leigh* and South Central *Lancashire* Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway in *Lancashire*, to be called the *Leigh* and South Central *Lancashire* Railway, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Caleb Wright*, Mr. *Roby*, and Mr. *Caine* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Militia Act, 1882.

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of Copies of the several Descriptions of Qualifications lodged with the Clerks of the Peace or Clerks of Lieutenancy in *Ireland* by Deputy Lieutenants, during the year 1894, and furnished to the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Dockyard Expense Accounts, 1893-94.)

Mr. *Edmund Robertson* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Accounts, for the year 1893-94, of Shipbuilding and Dockyard Transactions, &c., including Manufactures, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 28th day of this instant February.

Rating of Machinery Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating of Machinery Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Major *Rasch*.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *Holland*: } 185.
Tellers for the Noes, { Major *Rasch*, Mr. *Samuel Evans*: } 134.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Trade, &c.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manufactures.—(Sir *William Houldsworth*.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "the "Standing Committee on Trade (including "Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manu-"factures," and adding the words "a Select "Committee"—(Sir *Richard Paget*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "The Standing Committee on Trade (including "Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manu-"factures," stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *Holland*: } 175.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Richard Paget*, Mr. *Samuel Evans*: } 139.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manufactures.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lodger Franchise Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Parliamentary Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, Objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Wednesday next.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Joint Stock Companies' Register Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Joint Stock Companies' Register Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Leicester Writs.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant February, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report on the Returns made to this House to the two Writs issued on 22nd August 1894, for the Return of Members to serve for the Borough of *Leicester*, and the circumstances attending the holding of the Election, and whether the case is such as to require further action in respect of such Returns on the part of the House—(Sir *Henry James*);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And an Amendment was made to the Question, by inserting after the word "whether" the words "as the time for petitioning has expired."

And the Main Question, so amended, being proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And Objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Cheap Trains (London) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains (*London*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant February, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Short Title).

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Colonel *Howard Vincent*),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) [Remuneration.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) [Remuneration].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of Remuneration to any Inspectors that may be appointed under any Act of the present Session to provide for the Supply of Seed Potatoes to Occupiers and Cultivators of Land in *Ireland*.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Municipal Superannuation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Municipal Corporations to provide for Superannuation Funds for their Officers and Persons in their Service: And that Sir *Albert Rollit* and Sir *Thomas Roe* do prepare, and bring it in.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Summary Jurisdiction of Magistrates in reference to Married Women: And that Mr. *Byrne*, Sir *Richard Webster*, Mr. *Cozens-Hardy*, Mr. *Bucknill*, and Mr. *Haldane* do prepare, and bring it in.

Leaseholds.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Leaseholds: And that Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton*, Mr. *Warmington*, Mr. *William Kenny*, and Mr. *James Rowlands* do prepare, and bring it in.

Municipal Superannuation Bill. Bill 134.

Sir *Albert Rollit* presented a Bill to enable Municipal Corporations to provide for Superannuation Funds for their Officers and Persons in their Service: And the same was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill. Bill 135.

Mr. *Byrne* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Summary Jurisdiction of Magistrates in reference to Married Women: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of May next; and to be printed.

Leaseholds Bill. Bill 136.

Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Leaseholds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 21*st February*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:

Midland Railway Bill.
Scarborough Gas Bill.
West Highland Railway Bill.
York New Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills (Standing Order 63 complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, *viz.*:

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Chelsea Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Chelsea* Water (Transfer) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

East London Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the East *London* Water (Transfer) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Kent Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Kent* Water (Transfer) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

New River Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the *New River* Water (Transfer) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the West *Middlesex* Water (Transfer) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Liverpool New Cattle Market and Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Liverpool* New Cattle Market and Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Leigh and South Central Lancashire Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway in *Lancashire* to be called the *Leigh* and South Central *Lancashire* Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Town of *Newry*: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill.

Bill 137.

Mr. *John Morley* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Town of *Newry*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Vide First Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Navy (Dockyard Expense Accounts, 1893-94.) No. 60.

Ordered, That the Navy (Dockyard Expense Accounts, 1893–94), which were presented upon the 20th day of this instant February, be printed.

Navy Estimates (1895-96.) No. 61.

Mr. *Edmund Robertson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Navy Estimates for the year 1895–96, with Explanatory Observations by the Financial Secretary to the Admiralty, and Explanations of Differences.

Navy (Statement Explanatory of Estimates.)

Copy of Statement of the First Lord of the Admiralty explanatory of the Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Explosions (Albion Colliery, near Pontypridd.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports to the Secretary of State by *J. Roskill*, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, and by *J. T. Robson*, *Henry Hall*, and *Joseph S. Martin*, Esquires, Her Majesty's Inspectors of Mines, on the Disaster at *Albion* Colliery, *Cilfynydd*, near *Pontypridd*, on 23rd June 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1495.

Africa (No. 2, 1895.)

Copy of Papers respecting the *British* Sphere north of the *Zambezi*, and Agreements with the *British South Africa* Company.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sea Fisheries Regulation Act, 1888.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Board of Trade under the Provisions of the Sea Fisheries Regulation Act, 1888, creating the *Cumberland* Sea Fisheries District.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 59.)

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, Supplementary to Ordinance, No. 9 (General No. 4, General Council) (Ordinance No. 59, General No. 21).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 60.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the Students' Representative Council (Ordinance No. 60, General No. 22).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 61.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the encouragement of Special Study and Research, and for the Appointment of Research Fellows (Ordinance No. 61, General No. 23).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889, Ordinance, No. 63.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Divinity (Ordinance No. 63, General No. 25).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 64.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the Custody and Management of Libraries (Ordinance No. 64, General No. 26).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 65.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations as to Lecturers, supplementary to Ordinance No. 17 (Ordinance No. 65, General No. 27).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 66.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to a Regulation as to Examiners (Ordinance No. 66, General No. 28).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment.

Sir *Henry James*, Member for *Bury*, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, *viz.*, "the recent imposition of Duties upon the import of Cotton Manufactures and Yarns into *India*"; but the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and not less than Forty Members having accordingly risen;

East India (Cotton Duties.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Sir *Henry James*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Philip Stanhope*, Mr. *Whiteley:*	109.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:*	304.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit until after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 22*nd February*, 1895:

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) [Remuneration.]

Mr. *Thomas Ellis* reported from the Committee on Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) [Remuneration], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of Remuneration to any Inspectors that may be appointed under any Act of the present Session to provide for the Supply of Seed Potatoes to Occupiers and Cultivators of Land in *Ireland*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on the 20th day of this instant February, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Jarvis' Charity (Staunton-on Wye, &c.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her to be graciously pleased to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme of the Charity Commissioners relating to the Charity of *George Jarvis* to the Inhabitants of the Parishes of *Staunton-on-Wye*, *Letton*, and *Bredwardine*, in the County of *Hereford*, which Scheme is now before Parliament—(Mr. *Rankin*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out all the words after the word "from," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "all that part of the Scheme "of the Charity Commissioners for the Charity of "*George Jarvis*, now before Parliament, which "relates to the *Herefordshire* Educational En-"dowments,"—(Mr. *Cozens-Hardy*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her to be graciously pleased to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme of the Charity Commissioners relating to the Charity of *George Jarvis* to the Inhabitants of the Parishes of *Staunton-on-Wye*, *Letton*, and *Bredwardine*, in the County of *Hereford*, which Scheme is now before Parliament.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

Royal Patriotic Fund.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report on the administration and financial position of the several Funds controlled by the Commissioners of the Royal Patriotic Fund, and of such other Funds as may be administered by other bodies or persons for the relief of widows, orphans, and dependent relatives of Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines.—(Mr. *Kearley*.)

Public Petitions.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred all Petitions presented to the House, with the exception of such as relate to Private Bills; and that such Committee do classify and prepare Abstracts of the same, in such form and manner as shall appear to them best suited to convey to the House all requisite information respecting their contents, and do report the same from time to time to the House; and that the Reports of the Committee do set forth the Number of Signatures to each Petition only in respect to those Signatures to which Addresses are affixed:—And that such Committee have power to direct the Printing *in extenso* of such Petitions, or of such parts of Petitions, as shall appear to require it:—And that such Committee have power to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon to the House.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Benn*, Mr. *Biddulph*, Colonel *Bridgeman*, Mr. *Byles*, Colonel *Cotton-Jodrell*, Mr. *Crombie*, Sir *Charles Dalrymple*, Mr. *Kennedy*, Mr. *Leake*, Mr. *Herbert Lewis*, Mr. *Mulholland*, Mr. *T. P. O'Connor*, Mr. *Tollemache*, and Mr. *Henry J. Wilson*.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.—(Sir *Charles Dalrymple*.)

And, it being One of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House pursuant to the Standing Order, without Question put, till this day.

Friday, 22nd February, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.* :—

East Indian Railway Bill.
North British Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words, "the further consideration of all Bills "for the acquisition of the property of the "*London* Water Companies be postponed until "the County Council shortly to be elected shall "have had an opportunity of pronouncing upon "the subject,"—(Sir *John Lubbock*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Benn*, } 187.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *John Lubbock*, Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton*, } 149.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee of Nine Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Five by the Committee of Selection.—(Mr. *James Stuart*.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, subject to the Rules, Orders, and Proceedings of this House, all Petitions against the said Bill be referred to the Committee; and such of the Petitioners as pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, Agents, or Witnesses, be heard on their Petitions against the Bill, if they think fit, and Counsel heard in support of the said Bill against such Petitions—(Mr. *James Stuart*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in line 1, by leaving out the words "subject to the Rules, Orders, and Proceedings "of this House."—(Mr. *Boulnois*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That, subject to the Rules, Orders, and Proceedings of this House, all Petitions against the said Bill be referred to the Committee; and such of the Petitioners as pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, Agents, or Witnesses, be heard on their Petitions against the Bill, if they think fit, and Counsel heard in support of the said Bill against such Petitions.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Seven be the Quorum.—(Mr. *James Stuart*.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to provide that the arbitration shall be an open arbitration, and that the arbitrator shall consider impartially all points that are favourable to either side—(Mr. *Banbury*);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Banbury*, Sir *Richard Temple*: } 143.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Benn*: } 157.

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to insert a Clause providing that the said Bill shall not become law until the whole of the Bills dealing with the purchase of the *London* Water Companies by the *London* County Council have received the Royal Assent—(Mr. *Whitmore*):—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to delay proceeding with the consideration of the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill and the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill until the remaining six Water (Transfer) Bills have been read a second time, and referred to the same Committee—(Mr. *Boulnois*):—It passed in the Negative.

Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

The *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee of Nine Members, Four to be nominated by the House, and Five by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That, subject to the Rules, Orders, and Proceedings of this House, all Petitions against the said Bill be referred to the Committee; and such of the Petitioners as pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, Agents, or Witnesses, be heard on their Petitions against the Bill, if they think fit, and Counsel heard in support of the said Bill against such Petitions.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Seven be the Quorum.—(Mr. *James Stuart*.)

London (Boundary Street, Bethnal Green) Provisional Order.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for modifying the *London* (*Boundary Street, Bethnal Green*) Improvement Scheme, 1890: And that Mr. *George Russell* and Mr. Secretary *Asquith* do prepare, and bring it in.

London (Boundary Street, Bethnal Green) Provisional Order Bill.

Mr. *George Russell* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State for modifying the *London* (*Boundary Street, Bethnal Green*) Improvement Scheme, 1890: And the same was read the first time.

Bill 138.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 59.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinance No. 59), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

No. 62.

Ordered,

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 60.) No. 63.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 60), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 61.) No. 64.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinance No. 61), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 63.) No. 65.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinance No. 63), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 64.) No. 66.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinance No. 64), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 65.) No. 67.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinance No. 65), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 66.) No. 68.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinance No. 66), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

Sea Fisheries Regulation Act, 1888. No. 69.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Sea Fisheries Regulation Act, 1888, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

University of Aberdeen.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Annual Statistical Report by the University Court of the University of *Aberdeen* to the Secretary for *Scotland* under the provisions of Section 30 of "The Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889," for the year from 1st October 1893 to 30th September 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 3, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged between *Great Britain* and *Japan*, extending for six months the terms for the conclusion of a Convention supplementary to the Treaty of 16th July 1894. *Tokio*, 20th December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India (Waste Land Grants in Burma.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (Waste Land Grants in *Burma*).

East India (Treasure Trove.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of this instant February, for Returns relative to *East India* (Treasure Trove).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Newfoundland (Financial Crisis.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of Correspondence which has passed between the Imperial Government and the Government of *Newfoundland* relating to the present Financial Crisis in that Colony, and to the request for aid by the Government of *Newfoundland*.—(Sir *Francis Evans*.)

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend Relief in Income Tax to Married Persons with small Industrial Incomes, however earned, which do not exceed Five hundred Pounds a-year: And that Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Hanbury*, and Mr. *Loder* do prepare, and bring it in.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Political Offices Pension Act, 1869: And that Mr. *Alpheus Morton*, Mr. *William Allan*, Mr. *Labouchere*, Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Molloy*, and Mr. *Stewart Wallace* do prepare, and bring it in.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill. Bill 139.

Mr. *Bartley* presented a Bill to extend Relief in Income Tax to Married Persons with small Industrial Incomes, however earned, which do not exceed Five hundred Pounds a-year: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 4th day of March next; and to be printed.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill. Bill 140.

Mr. *Alpheus Morton* presented a Bill to repeal the Political Offices Pension Act, 1869: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

And Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker at five minutes after Eight of the clock, without a Question first put, until Monday next.

Monday, 25th February, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.
Great Southern and Western Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London (Baths and Washhouses) Bill (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant February, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:

Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London* (Baths and Washhouses) Bill.

Bray, Dalkey, Kingstown, and Blackrock Water Bill.

Ordered, That the *Bray*, *Dalkey*, *Kingstown*, and *Blackrock* Water Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Brymbo Water Bill.

The *Brymbo* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Chelsea Water Bill.

The *Chelsea* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

City and South London Railway Bill.

The City and South *London* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Great Eastern Railway Bill.

The Great Eastern Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Great Northern Railway Bill.

The Great Northern Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Hayward's Heath Gas Bill.

The *Hayward's Heath* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The

Highland Railway Bill.

The Highland Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

The *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

The *London* and South Western Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Metropolitan District Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Metropolitan District Railway Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Newmarket Gas Bill.

The *Newmarket* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

North Eastern Railway Bill.

The North Eastern Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

North Middlesex Gas Bill.

The North *Middlesex* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

North Staffordshire Railway Bill.

The North *Staffordshire* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Solway Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill.

The *Solway* Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Metropolitan Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the South Metropolitan Gas Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Whitby Water Bill.

The *Whitby* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Chelsea Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Chelsea* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

East London Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East *London* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Kent Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Kent* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

New River Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *New River* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the West *Middlesex* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Standing Orders.

New Standing Order to follow Standing Order 133A:—

Chambers of Agriculture may be heard if injuriously affected.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, where a Chamber of Commerce or Shipping, sufficiently representing the trade or commerce in any district to which any Bill relates, petition against the Bill, alleging that such trade or commerce will be injuriously affected by the provisions contained therein, it shall be competent to the Referees on Private Bills, if they think fit, to admit the Petitioners to be heard on such allegations against the Bill or any part thereof—(Sir *Albert Rollit*);

And Amendments were made thereunto by inserting, after the words "Chamber of," the word "Agriculture"; after the words "repre-"senting the," the word "agriculture"; and, after the words "that such," the word "agri-"culture."

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That where a Chamber of Agriculture, Commerce, or Shipping, sufficiently representing the agriculture, trade, or commerce in any district to which any Bill relates, petition against the Bill, alleging that such agriculture, trade, or commerce will be injuriously affected by the provisions contained therein, it shall be competent to the Referees on Private Bills, if they think fit, to admit the Petitioners to be heard on such allegations against the Bill or any part thereof.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be a Standing Order of this House.—(Sir *Albert Rollit*.)

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill, to leave out Parts V. and VI.—(Mr. *James Lowther*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof, the words "except Clause 26 of Part VI. and the "First Schedule."—(Sir *Albert Rollit*.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *James Lowther*, Mr. *Alexander Cross*: } 135.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Charles Cameron*, Sir *James Carmichael*: } 177.

So it passed in the Negative.

Croydon Corporation Bill.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the County Borough of *Croydon*, in the County of *Surrey*, praying that provision may be made in the *Croydon* Corporation Bill to empower the Library Authorities to enter into and carry into execution agreements for the purposes of sharing the cost of erection, &c., of Libraries for the joint use of Library Districts, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Ordered,

University of Aberdeen. No. 70.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the University of *Aberdeen*, which was presented upon the 22nd day of this instant February, be printed.

Railway and Canal Traffic Acts, 1888 to 1894.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order made by the Board of Trade under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1894.

Railways (Workwomen's Trains on the Metropolitan Lines.)

Copy of Correspondence between the Board of Trade and the Railway Companies having Termini in the Metropolis on the question of an alleged necessity for the Provision of Later Cheap Trains for Workwomen.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 62.) No. 71.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for Higher Degrees in Arts and Science (Ordinance, No. 62, General, No. 24).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of March next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of March next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 5th day of March next.

Established Church (Wales.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to terminate the Establishment of the Church of *England* in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire*, and to make provision in respect of the Temporalities thereof—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday next.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Short Title).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *T. W. Russell*),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London (Baths and Wash-houses) Bill.

The Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London* (Baths and Wash-houses) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 26*th February*, 1895:

Convention of Royal Burghs (Scotland) Act (1879) Amendment Bill.

The Convention of Royal Burghs (*Scotland*) Act (1879) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Leicester Writs.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant February, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report on the Returns made to this House to the two Writs issued on 22nd August 1894, for the Return of Members to serve for the Borough of *Leicester*, and the circumstances attending the holding of the Election, and whether as the time for petitioning has expired the Case is such as to require further Action in respect of such Returns on the part of the House—(Sir *Henry James*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of March next.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant February, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant February, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

House of Commons (Vacating of Seats.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report on the circumstances attending the issue of the Writ for the *Attercliffe* Division of *Sheffield*, on the 26th day of June 1894, and also to inquire into the Law and Practice of Parliament in reference to the Vacating of Seats in the House of Commons, and whether it is desirable that any, and, if so, what, changes should be made therein.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Secretary *Asquith*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Balfour*, Sir *James Carmichael*, Mr. *Chamberlain*, Mr. *Curzon*, Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *John Ellis*, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Sir *Henry James*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*, Mr. *MacNeill*, Sir *George Osborne Morgan*, Sir *John Mowbray*, and Viscount *Wolmer*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 26th February, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Metropolis Management (Saint Paul, Deptford) Bill (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 18th day of this instant February, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Metropolis Management (*Saint Paul, Deptford*) Bill.

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

The *Bridlington* and Quay Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Great North of Scotland Railway Bill.

The Great North of *Scotland* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lambeth Water Bill.

The *Lambeth* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed to the Select Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill.

Midland Railway Bill.

The Midland Railway Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Scarborough Gas Bill.

The *Scarborough* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

West Highland Railway Bill.

The West Highland Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

York New Water Bill.

The *York* New Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant February, That the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 12th day of March next.

Liverpool New Cattle Market and Railways Bill.

The *Liverpool* New Cattle Market and Railways Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Vide First Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

British Museum.

A Petition of the Trustees of the *British* Museum being offered to be presented;

Mr. *Bryce*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the contents of the said Petition, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the said Petition was brought up, and read; setting forth, That the only Funds belonging to the Petitioners for the support of the *British* Museum consist of Thirty thousand pounds

pounds Two and Three quarters *per cent.* Consolidated Annuities, the annual dividends whereof amount to Eight hundred and twenty-five pounds; of a Bequest of the late Earl of *Bridgewater*, the annual proceeds of which amount to about Four hundred pounds; and also of a Bequest of the late Lord *Farnborough*, the annual proceeds of which amount to about Eighty pounds; that the Establishment is necessarily attended with an expense far beyond the annual produce of the above-mentioned sums, and the Trust cannot, with benefit to the Public, be carried on without the aid of Parliament; and praying the House to grant them such further support towards enabling them to carry on the execution of the Trust reposed in them by Parliament for the general benefit of learning and useful knowledge, as to the House shall seem meet.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report for 1893, No. 128 (*Grenada*).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army Estimates, 1895–96. No. 73.

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Army Estimates of Effective and Non-Effective Services for 1895–96, with Statement of the Variation of the Numbers of Her Majesty's *British* Forces, the Amounts included for the Colonies and *Egypt*, and the Sums provided for each Arm of the Service, and for various Miscellaneous Establishments.

Army (Ordnance Factories) (Estimate, 1895–96.) No. 74.

Estimate of Charge for the Ordnance Factories for the year 1895–96.

Army (Memorandum on Estimates.)

Copy of Memorandum of the Secretary of State for War, relating to the Army Estimates for 1895–96.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Africa (No. 3, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting the Disturbances in *Benin*, and the operations against the Chief *Nanna*, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Pauperism (England and Wales.) No. 75.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return of Monthly Comparative Statements of the Number of Paupers of all classes (except Lunatics in Asylums, Registered Hospitals, and Licensed Houses, and Vagrants) in receipt of Relief in *England* and *Wales*, on the last day of every week in each month of the several years from 1857 to 1895, both inclusive; and, Statements of the Number of Paupers (Lunatics and Vagrants included), distinguishing the Number of Adult Able-bodied Paupers relieved on the 1st day of January 1895, and the 1st day of July 1895, respectively.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Selection (Standing Committees) (Chairmen's Panel.)

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had selected the following Six Members to be the Chairmen's Panel and to serve as Chairmen of the two Standing Committees to be appointed under Standing Order 47:—Sir *Julian Goldsmid*, Sir *George Osborne Morgan*, Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*, Sir *Matthew White Ridley*, Mr. *Stansfeld*, and Mr. *Stuart-Wortley*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Selection (Standing Committees.)

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on the Standing Committee for the consideration of all Bills relating to Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures:—Mr. *Addison*, Mr. *Arch*, Sir *John Barran*, Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*, Mr. *Blake*, Mr. *Bonsor*, Mr. *Boord*, Mr. *Broadhurst*, Mr. *Brown*, Mr. *Burt*, Mr. *Caine*, Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman*, Mr. *Chamberlain*, Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Jesse Collings*, Mr. *Colman*, Sir *Charles Dalrymple*, Baron *Henry De Worms*, Sir *Frederick Dixon-Hartland*, Mr. *Everett*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *Hayes Fisher*, Mr. *Penrose Fitzgerald*, Mr. *Gilliat*, Mr. *Goschen*, Mr. *Gourley*, Sir *Reginald Hanson*, Mr. *Harrington*, Sir *John Hibbert*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *Howell*, Mr. *Jackson*, Sir *James Joicey*, Mr. *Kenrick*, Mr. *Walter Long*, Sir *John Lubbock*, Mr. *Macartney*, Dr. *M'Donnell*, Mr. *Mowbray*, Mr. *Mundella*, Mr. *Graham Murray*, Mr. *Naoroji*, Sir *Stafford Northcote*, Mr. *T. P. O'Connor*, Mr. *Oldroyd*, Sir *Richard Paget*, Sir *Joseph Pease*, Mr. *Power*, Mr. *Randell*, Mr. *Rankin*, Mr. *Rathbone*, Mr. *Roche*, Mr. *Round*, Colonel *Saunderson*, Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Thomas Shaw*, Mr. *Samuel Smith*, Mr. Attorney General, Sir *Mark Stewart*, Mr. *T. D. Sullivan*, Mr. *Tomlinson*, Sir *George Trevelyan*, Sir *Richard Webster*, Mr. *R. G. Webster*, Mr. *Stephen Williamson*, Mr. *C. H. Wilson*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Govan*), and Mr. *Young*.

Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, the following Fifteen Members in respect of the Rating of Machinery Bill:—Mr. *Gerald Balfour*, Mr. *Byles*, Mr. *Coddington*, Mr. *Samuel Evans*, Mr. *Jeffreys*, Mr. *Holland*, Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, Mr. *Mather*, Mr. *Matthews*, Mr. *Powell-Williams*, Major *Rasch*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Sir *Bernhard Samuelson*, Mr. *Spicer*, and Mr. *Strachey*.

Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on the Standing Committee for the consideration of all Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure which may, by Order of the House, be committed to such Standing Committee:—Mr. *Ambrose*, Mr. Secretary *Asquith*, Mr. *Atherley-Jones*, Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Beach*, Mr. *Bolitho*, Mr. *Jacob Bright*, Mr. *Brodrick*, Mr. *Bryce*, Mr. *John Burns*, Mr. *Carson*, Sir *Edward Clarke*, Mr. *Courtney*, Mr. *Donald Crawford*, Mr. *Cremer*, Mr. *Curzon*, Mr. *Darling*, Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *Dillon*, Sir *William Hart Dyke*, Mr. *Tatton Egerton*, Mr. *John Ellis*, Mr. *Samuel Evans*, Sir *Walter Foster*, Mr. Secretary *Fowler*, Mr. *Herbert Gardner*, Mr. *Gathorne-Hardy*, Mr. *Herbert Gladstone*, Mr. *Haldane*, Sir *Charles Hall*, Sir *Edward Harland*, Mr. *Maurice Healy*, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Staveley Hill*, Mr. *Samuel Hoare*, Mr. *Henry Hobhouse*, Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth*, Mr. *Kenyon*, Mr. *Knox*, Mr. *Lawrence*, Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, Mr. *Lloyd-George*, the Lord Advocate, Mr. *James William Lowther*, Mr. *MacNeill*, Mr. *Matthews*, Sir *Samuel Montagu*, Mr. *John Morley*, Mr. *Edward Morton*, Mr. *Mount*, Mr. *Mulholland*, Mr. *Muntz*, Mr. *William O'Brien*, Mr. *Paul*, Sir *Charles Pearson*, Mr. *Pickard*, Sir *Francis Powell*, Mr. *John Redmond*, Mr. *Bryn Roberts*, Sir *George Russell*, Mr. *Parker Smith*, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. *Francis Stevenson*,

Law, &c.

Stevenson, Mr. *Storey*, Mr. *Taylor*, Sir *Richard Temple*, Mr. *Webb*, and Mr. *Whitmore*.

Ordered, That the said Reports do lie upon the Table.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday next, the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next, the Tramways (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next.

Trusts Administration.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord High Chancellor to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on Trusts Administration: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Sitting of the House (Ash Wednesday.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do meet To-morrow, at Two of the clock—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 160.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Dalziel*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*: } 96.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Taxation of Land Values by Local Authorities: And that Mr. *Naoroji*, Mr. *Lough*, Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, Mr. *Benn*, and Mr. *Frye* do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities) Bill. Bill 141.

Mr. *Naoroji* accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the Taxation of Land Values by Local Authorities: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of March next; and to be printed.

International Monetary Conference.

Resolved, That this House regards with increasing apprehension the constant fluctuations and the growing divergence in the relative value of gold and silver, and heartily concurs in the recent expressions of opinion on the part of the Government of *France* and the Government and Parliament of *Germany* as to the serious evils resulting therefrom:

It therefore urges upon Her Majesty's Government the desirability of co-operating with other Powers in an International Conference for the purpose of considering what measures can be taken to remove or mitigate these evils.—(Mr. *Everett*.)

And the House having continued to sit till Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 27th February, 1895:

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Grand Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Joint Stock Companies' Register Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Joint Stock Companies' Register Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Convention of Royal Burghs (Scotland) Act (1879) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Convention of Royal Burghs (*Scotland*) Act (1879) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 4, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of April next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant February, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 27th February, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Queen's Speech (Answer to Address.)

THE Vice Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That Her Majesty, having been attended with their Address of the 18th day of this instant February, was pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received with great satisfaction the expression of your loyal and dutiful Thanks for the Speech with which I have opened the present Session of Parliament.

Leigh and South Central Lancashire Railway Bill.

The *Leigh* and South Central *Lancashire* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Revising Barristers.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement under Statute 49 & 50 *Vic.* c. 42, s. 2, sub-section 3, showing the additional Revising Barristers appointed in the year 1894, and the Sums paid to them.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Local Bankruptcy (Ireland) Act, 1888.

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council dated 20th February 1895, making further Rules under the Local Bankruptcy (*Ireland*) Act, 1888.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army (Recruiting.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Annual Report by the Inspector General of Recruiting, being for 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Pistols Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pistols Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *Hopwood.*)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Marquess of *Carmarthen*, Mr. *Paulton*: } 204.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hopwood*, Mr. *Henry Joseph Wilson*: } 85.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure—(Marquess of *Carmarthen*);

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

The Marquess of *Carmarthen* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Marquess of *Carmarthen*, Mr. *Paulton*: } 189.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hopwood*, Mr. *Lloyd Morgan*: } 75.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure.

Law, &c.

Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next.

Parliamentary Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant February, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of March next.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Leicester Writs.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question, as amended, proposed upon the 13th day of this instant February, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report on the Returns made to this House to the two Writs issued on 22nd August 1894, for the return of Members to serve for the Borough of *Leicester*, and the Circumstances attending the holding of the Election, and whether, as the time for petitioning has expired, the case is such as to require further action in respect of such Returns on the part of the House—(Sir *Henry James*);

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report on the Returns made to this House to the two Writs issued on 22nd August 1894, for the return of Members to serve for the Borough of *Leicester*, and the Circumstances attending the holding of the Election, and whether, as the time for petitioning has expired, the case is such as to require further action in respect of such Returns on the part of the House.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Joint Stock Companies' Register Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Joint Stock Companies' Register Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of March next.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Rule of the Road at Sea

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the revised International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea, dealing with sound signals in fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers—(Sir *Donald Currie*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "raised," in l. 2, to the end of the Question, and adding the words "Order in Council of the 30th day of "January 1893 relative to the fixing and screen-"ing of ships' side-lights, and to the adoption by "Order in Council of the sound signals prescribed "by Article 15 and Article 28 of the Revised "Regulations for preventing Collision at Sea, "as set forth in the Board of Trade Circular to "Shipowners of 6th March 1894"—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being after half-past Five of the clock, and Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Wednesday next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the Conditions under which Children are exempted from Attendance at School: And that Sir *Richard Temple*, Mr. *Tomlinson*, and Mr. *Dodd* do prepare, and bring it in.

Saint John's Industrial School, Walthamstow.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of Report of the Commissioner, appointed by the Secretary of State on the 24th day of September 1894, to inquire into allegations made regarding the Treatment of Children in the *Saint John's* Industrial School for Roman Catholic Boys at *Walthamstow*; of the Evidence and of the Letter addressed on the 24th day of November 1894, after the Receipt of that Report, by the Secretary of State to the Managers of the School.—(Mr. *George Russell*.)

Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London (Baths and Washhouses) Bill.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London* (Baths and Washhouses) Bill do consist of Five Members, Three to be nominated by the House and Two by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the Bill presented Three clear days before the meeting of the Committee be referred to the Committee; that the Petitioners praying to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents, be heard against the Bill, and Counsel heard in support of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Mr. *Burnie*, Mr. *Alban Gibbs*, and Mr. *Alpheus Morton* were nominated Members of the Committee.—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*.)

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

Sir *Richard Temple* presented a Bill to regulate the Conditions under which Children are exempted from Attendance at School: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed. Bill 142

Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons.) (First Report.) No. 76.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons) have Power to report their Observations to the House.

Mr. *Sidney Herbert* reported from the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons); That they had directed him to make a Report to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 28*th February* 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bill (Standing Orders not complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table, Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

East Indian Railway Bill.

The *East Indian* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

North British Railway Bill.

The *North British* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Chelsea Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Chelsea* Water (Transfer) Bill;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday the 3rd day of May next—(Mr. *James Stuart*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "Bill be," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "now read a second time,"—(Sir *Frederick Dixon-Hartland*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

East London Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the East *London* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

Kent Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Kent* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

New River Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *New River* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the West *Middlesex* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That any County Council and any of the *London* Water Companies be entitled to be heard before the Select Committee on the above Bill on any Petitions praying to be heard by Counsel, presented by them on or before the 14th day of March next, and that such Petitions be referred to the said Committee—(Mr. *James Stuart*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting after the word "County" the words "or District."—(Mr. *Byrne*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society.

A Petition of the Widows' Fund Society of the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors, for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Winding up and Dissolution of the Widows' Fund Society of the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

East India (Military Expenditure beyond the Frontier.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (Military Expenditure beyond the Frontier).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 67.) No. 78.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Yeaman* and *Stuart* Bursary in *Saint Mary's* College (Ordinance No. 67, *Saint Andrew's* No. 9).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 68.) No. 79.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the *Miller* Prizes (Ordinance No. 68, *Saint Andrew's* No. 10).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 69.) No. 80.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Garth* Foundation (Ordinance No. 69, *Saint Andrew's* No. 11.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 70.) No. 81.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Ramsay* Foundation (Ordinance No. 70, *Saint Andrew's* No. 12.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 71.) No. 82.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations as to Foundation Bursaries in the United College (Ordinance No. 71, *Saint Andrew's* No. 13).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 72.) No. 83.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the *Cook* and *Macfarlane* Scholarship (Ordinance No. 72, *Saint Andrew's* No. 14).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 73.) No. 84.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Stuart* Bursaries in the United College (Ordinance No. 73, *Saint Andrew's* No. 15).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 74.) No. 85.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations

tions for Archbishop *Hamilton* Bursaries in *Saint Mary's* College (Ordinance No. 74, *Saint Andrew's* No. 16).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 75.) No. 86.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Alexander Yeaman* and *Gray* Foundations (Ordinance No. 75, *Saint Andrew's* No. 17).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 76.) No. 87.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Moncreiffe* and *Rorie* Foundations (Ordinance No. 76, *Saint Andrew's* No. 18).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge.) No. 88.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of *Christ's* College, *Cambridge*, on the 25th July 1894, repealing the whole of the Statutes of the College made by the Commissioners appointed under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, and approved by Order in Council of the 3rd May 1882, and substituting therefor an amended Body of Statutes.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report for 1893, No. 129 (*Sierra Leone*).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Board of Agriculture.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report for 1894 of the Board of Agriculture of Proceedings under the Tithe Acts, Copyhold Acts, Inclosure Acts, the Metropolitan Commons Acts, the Drainage and Improvement of Land Acts, the Universities and College Estates Acts, "The Glebe Lands Act, 1888," &c., &c.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Piers and Harbours (Provisional Orders.)

Mr. *Bryce* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of their Proceedings under "The General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861," and "The General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, Amendment Act."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimate, 1894-95.) No. 77.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Estimate of the Sums required to be voted for the Service of the year ending 31st March 1895, for Civil Services and Revenue Departments, in addition to the Sums provided in the Estimates presented in the current year.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Local Loans Fund.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Accounts of Receipts and Payments by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, in respect of the Capital and Income of the Local Loans Fund for the year ended 31st March 1894, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Local Government (Scotland) Act (1894) Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Scotland*) Act (1894) Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

Trusts Administration.

The Lords give leave to the Lord High Chancellor to attend in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by this House on Trusts Administration, his Lordship (in his place) consenting.

Business of the House (Government Business.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, until Easter, Government Business do have priority on Tuesday; that on Friday the House do meet at Two of the clock, and that the Provisions of Standing Order 56 be extended to Tuesday and the Morning Sitting on Friday —(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton:*	236.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond:*	221.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That, until Easter, Government Business do have priority on Tuesday, that on Friday the House do meet at Two of the clock, and that the Provisions of Standing Order 56 be extended to Tuesday and the Morning Sitting on Friday.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for Public Inquiry in regard to Fatal Accidents occurring in Industrial Employments or Occupations in *Scotland:* And that the Lord Advocate, Sir *George Trevelyan*, and Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill. Bill 143.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for Public Inquiry in regard to Fatal Accidents occurring in Industrial Employments or Occupations in *Scotland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Established Church (Wales.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 25th day of this instant February, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to terminate the Establishment of the Church of *England* in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire*, and to make provision in respect of the Temporalities thereof) —(Mr. Secretary *Asquith*);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to terminate the Establishment of the Church of *England* in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire*, and to make provision in respect of the Temporalities thereof: And that Mr. Secretary *Asquith*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. *Bryce*, and Mr. Solicitor General do prepare, and bring it in.

Established Church (Wales) Bill. Bill 144.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* accordingly presented a Bill to terminate the Establishment of the Church of *England* in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire*, and to make provision in respect of the Temporalities thereof: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Short Title).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Question put, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Terms of Loan).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Friday, 1*st March*, 1895:

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, again resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Terms of Loan).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising;

And, it being after Midnight, and Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of February last, That the Plumbers' Registration Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 8th day of this instant March.

County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant March.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 57, Gen. No. 19.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Assent to Ordinance No. 57 until it be revised, by leaving out Section (xii.) of the Ordinance—(Mr. *Crombie*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Crombie*, Dr. *Farquharson*: } 45.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Donald Crawford*, Mr. *Jebb*: } 101.

So it passed in the Negative.

Shop Hours Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Shop Hours Acts: And that Mr. *Provand*, Colonel *Bridgeman*, Mr. *Samuel Smith*, Mr. *Seton-Karr*, Mr. *Channing*, and Mr. *Rankin* do prepare, and bring it in.

Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 145.

Mr. *Provand* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Shop Hours Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

And it being five and twenty minutes before Two of the clock on Friday morning, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, pursuant to the Standing Order, without Question put, till this day.

Friday, 1*st March*, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:

British Gaslight Company (*Staffordshire* Potteries) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bill Petitions (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:

London, *Deptford*, and *Greenwich* Tramways.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

South Metropolitan Gas Bill

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the South Metropolitan Gas Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *James Rowlands*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Vide First Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered,

Piers and Harbours (Provisional Orders.) No. 89.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Piers and Harbours (Provisional Orders), which was presented upon the 28th day of February last, be printed.

Local Loans Fund. No. 90.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Local Loans Fund, which were presented upon the 28th day of February last, be printed.

East India (Military Expenditure beyond the Frontier.) No. 91.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Military Expenditure beyond the Frontier), which was presented upon the 28th day of February last, be printed.

Land in Wales and Monmouthshire (Royal Commission.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Royal Commission on Land in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire* (Vol. III.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Post Office Telegraphs.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account showing the Gross Amount received and expended on account of the Telegraph Service during the year ended 31st March 1894, and the Balance of the Receipts over the Expenditure; prepared in pursuance of Section 4 of the 39th *Vic.* c. 5; and a Statement additional to the above Account prepared in pursuance of the same Section.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Post Office Telegraphs. No. 92.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Account showing the Gross Amount received and the Gross Amount expended in respect of the Telegraph Service, from the Date of the Transfer of the Telegraphs to the State to the 31st day of March 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 10 of Session 1894).

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Harbour, &c. Bills. No. 93.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of the Board of Trade upon the following Harbour, &c. Bills, *viz.*:

(1.) *Belfast* and Northern Counties Railway Bill;

(2.) *Weaver* Navigation (No. 1) Bill; *Weaver* Navigation (No. 2) Bill; *Weaver* Navigation (No. 3) Bill.

Mr. *Bryce* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Drunkenness and Licensed Houses (England and Wales.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing for the year 1893 the position with regard to the Number of Persons proceeded against for Drunkenness* and the Number of Licensed Houses† of (a) *London* and the County Boroughs; (b) other Borough Licensing Districts; and (c) Administrative Counties (exclusive of Borough Licensing Districts), the Districts in each case being divided into two Groups, north and south respectively of the Northern Boundaries of *Gloucester*, *Oxford*, *Northampton*, and *Cambridge*, in the following forms:—

I. Number of Persons proceeded against for Drunkenness in proportion to Population, and Comparison with proportion to Population of Number of Licensed Houses.

Number of District in order of Proportion.	Name of District.	Number of Persons proceeded against for Drunkenness per 100,000 Inhabitants.	Proportion to Population of Number of Licensed Houses.	
			Number of Districts in order of Proportion.	Number of Licensed Houses per 100,000 Inhabitants.

II. Licensed Houses in proportion to Population, and Comparison with proportion to Population of Number of Persons proceeded against for Drunkenness.

Number of District in order of Proportion.	Name of District.	Number of Licensed Houses per 100,000 Population.	Proportion to Population of Persons proceeded against for Drunkenness.	
			Number of District in order of Proportion.	Number of Persons proceeded against per 100,000 Population.

III. Licensed Houses in proportion to Area in each County, and Comparison with proportion to Population of Persons proceeded against for Drunkenness and Number of Licensed Houses.‡

Number in order of Proportion.	Name of County.	Number of Licensed Houses per Square Mile.	Proportion to Population of Persons proceeded against for Drunkenness.		Proportion to Population of Number of Licensed Houses.	
			Number of County in order of Proportion.	Number of Persons proceeded against per 100,000 Inhabitants.	Number of County in order of Proportion.	Number of Licensed Houses per 100,000 Inhabitants.

‡ The proportion of licensed houses per square mile to be shown also in I. and II. as regards counties.

—(Mr. *Rathbone*.)

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Jurors' Payment Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Religious Opinions (Prosecutions.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Abolition of Prosecutions for the expression of Opinion on matters of Religion: And that Mr. *Gourley*, Mr. *Storey*, Mr. *Maden*, Mr. *Dalziel*, Mr. *Labouchere*, Mr. *Lloyd-George*, and Sir *Henry Roscoe* do prepare, and bring it in.

* This will include persons proceeded against for drunkenness under the following Statutes: The Railway Regulation Act, 1840, Section 13; the Town Police Clauses Act, 1847, Section 12; the Licensing Act, 1872, Section 12; the Metropolitan Police Act, 1839, Section 58; and similar provisions in Local Acts.

† Including all premises licensed by Justices for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Ordered,

Salmon Fisheries (Ireland) Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Salmon Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts: And that Mr. *Seton-Karr*, Mr. *Tomlinson*, and Mr. *Dane* do prepare, and bring it in.

Church of Scotland.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to put an end to the Establishment of the Church of *Scotland*, and to deal with the Public Endowments thereof on the occurrence of Vacancies: And that Sir *Charles Cameron*, Mr. *Haldane*, Mr. *Hunter*, Mr. *Beith*, Mr. *Stephen Williamson*, and Mr. *Dunn* do prepare, and bring it in.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Law respecting the Qualifications of Justices of the Peace: And that Mr. *Alpheus Morton*, Mr. *Arch*, Mr. *Billson*, Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *Dodd*, Captain *Fenwick*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *Fleming*, Mr. *Herbert Lewis*, Mr. *Lloyd Morgan*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, and Mr. *Francis Stevenson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Health Acts, with respect to Sewers: And that Sir *Albert Rollit* and Sir *Thomas Roe* do prepare, and bring it in.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give Powers to Parish Councils in *Scotland* to fix provisionally Holidays and Half-Holidays for Farm Servants in *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Napier*, Mr. *Dalziel*, Sir *William Wedderburn*, Mr. *Wason*, Mr. *Tennant*, Dr. *Clark*, Dr. *Farquharson*, Mr. *Buchanan*, and Captain *Sinclair* do prepare, and bring it in.

Leicester Writs.

The Select Committee appointed to consider and report upon the recent Election and Return for the Borough of *Leicester* was nominated of Mr. Secretary *Asquith*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Balfour*, Sir *James Carmichael*, Mr. *Chamberlain*, Mr. *Curzon*, Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *John Ellis*, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Sir *Henry James*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*, Mr. *MacNeil*, Sir *George Osborne Morgan*, Sir *John Mowbray*, and Viscount *Wolmer*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown do produce to the said Committee Copies of the Writs issued for holding Elections for the said Borough and the Return thereto.—(*Sir Henry James.*)

Hypothec (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Hypothec in *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Provand*, Mr. *Cochrane*, Mr. *Cameron Corbett*, and Captain *Sinclair* do prepare, and bring it in.

Religious Opinions (Prosecutions) Bill. Bill 146.

Mr. *Gourley* presented a Bill for the abolition of Prosecutions for the expression of Opinion on matters of Religion: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Salmon Fisheries (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 147.

Mr. *Seton-Karr* presented a Bill to amend the Salmon Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of April next; and to be printed.

Church of Scotland Bill. Bill 148.

Sir *Charles Cameron* presented a Bill to put an end to the Establishment of the Church of *Scotland*, and to deal with the Public Endowment thereof on the occurrence of Vacancies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill. Bill 149.

Mr. *Alpheus Morton* presented a Bill to repeal the Law respecting the Qualifications of Justices of the Peace: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock; and to be printed.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 150.

Sir *Albert Rollit* presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Acts with respect to Sewers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill. Bill 151.

Mr. *Napier* presented a Bill to give Powers to Parish Councils in *Scotland* to fix provisionally Holidays and Half-Holidays for Farm Servants in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Hypothec (Scotland) Bill. Bill 152.

Mr. *Provand* presented a Bill to amend the Law of Hypothec in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 11th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Factories and Workshops.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and extend the Law relating to Factories and Workshops: And that Mr. Secretary *Asquith*, Mr. *George Russell*, and Mr. *Sydney Buxton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Factories and Workshops Bill. Bill 153.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* accordingly presented a Bill to amend and extend the Law relating to Factories and Workshops: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Truck Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Truck Acts: And that Mr. Secretary *Asquith* and Mr. *George Russell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 154.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Truck Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Terms of Loan).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Question put, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 4 to N° 14, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The

Grand Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That leave be given to present another Bill, instead thereof.

Grand Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill. Bill 155.

Mr. *Hayden* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Grand Jury (*Ireland*) Laws: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Selection (Standing Committees.)

Law, &c. Pistols Bill.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Fifteen Members to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, in respect of the Pistols Bill: Commander *Bethell*, Mr. *Gibson Bowles*, Marquess of *Carmarthen*, Mr. *Alexander Cross*, Mr. *Diamond*, Mr. *Greene*, Mr. *Hopwood*, Mr. *James Lowther*, Mr. *Lloyd Morgan*, Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*, Colonel *Nolan*, Mr. *Paulton*, Mr. *Joseph Pease*, Mr. *George Russell*, and Mr. *Henry J. Wilson*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Standing Orders.

Cork and Fermoy Railway Bill.

Dublin United Tramways Bill.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, in the case of the *Cork* and *Fermoy* Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. That, in the case of the *Dublin* United Tramways Bill, Petition of Baron *Ardilaun* for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of his Petition against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Cork and Fermoy Railway Bill.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the *Cork* and *Fermoy* Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to revive the Powers and extend the Period for the compulsory Purchase of Lands and completion of certain Railways, and for the abandonment of other Railways of the *Cork* and *Fermoy* Railway Company, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Maurice Healy* and Mr. *John Redmond* do prepare, and bring it in.

Standing Committees (Chairmen's Panel.)

Trade, &c.

Law, &c.

Sir *George Osborne Morgan* reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Sir *Julian Goldsmid* to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures; and that they had appointed Sir *George Osborne Morgan* to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Evening Sitting.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "a Select Committee be appointed "to consider the proposed draft Agreement "between the Postmaster General and the "National Telephone Company, and report with "reference to the monopoly which may thereby "be created; the granting of telephone licences "to municipalities; and generally on the future "policy of the Post Office with reference to the "extension of the telephone service"—(Mr. *Benn*)—instead thereof.

Telephone Service.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "a Select Committee be appointed to con-"sider the proposed draft Agreement between "the Postmaster General and the National Tele-"phone Company, and report with reference to "the monopoly which may thereby be created; "the granting of telephone licences to munici-"palities; and generally on the future policy of "the Post Office with reference to the extension "of the telephone service," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by leaving out from the word "consider," to the end of the proposed Amendment, and adding the words "and "report whether the provision now made for the "telephone service in local areas is adequate; and "whether it is expedient to supplement or im-"prove this provision either by the granting of "licences to local authorities or otherwise"—(Mr. *Arnold Morley*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "and report whether the provision now made for "the telephone service in local areas is adequate; "and whether it is expedient to supplement or "improve this provision either by the granting "of licences to local authorities or otherwise," be added after the word "consider" in the said proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "a Select Committee be appointed to consider "and report whether the provision now made "for the telephone service in local areas is "adequate; and whether it is expedient to "supplement or improve this provision either by "the granting of licences to local authorities or "otherwise," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report whether the provision now made for the telephone service in local areas is adequate; and whether it is expedient to supplement or improve this provision either by the granting of licences to local authorities or otherwise.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

School Board for London Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Special Juries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Special Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 2nd March, 1895:

Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report what results have followed upon the recommendations made by the Select Committee of 1876-77 for the employment of meritorious Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines in Civil Departments of the Public Service, and to inquire whether any and, if so, what further measures are desirable for the purpose of extending the employment of this class in those Departments, and also for helping them to obtain service, to such extent as they may be fitted for it, with private employers of labour.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Benson*, Captain *Bethell*, Mr. *Birkmyre*, Mr. *Brookfield*, Sir *George Chesney*, Captain *Donelan*, Captain *Fenwick*, Captain *Grice-Hutchinson*, Colonel *Lockwood*, Mr. *M'Arthur*, Colonel *Murray*, Mr. *Pickersgill*, and Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*).

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

House of Commons (Vacating of Seats.)

Ordered, That Sir *George Osborne Morgan* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on House of Commons (Vacating of Seats).

Ordered, That Mr. *Samuel Evans* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Food Products Adulteration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the working of the Margarine Act, 1887, and the Sale of Food and Drugs Act, 1875, and any Acts amending the same, and report whether any, and, if so, what amendments of the Law relating to Adulteration are in their opinion desirable.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Nineteen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Colonel *Bagot*, Mr. *Dunbar Barton*, Mr. *Bolitho*, Sir *Charles Cameron*, Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Colman*, Mr. *Colston*, Sir *Walter Foster*, Mr. *Frederick Frye*, Mr. *Herbert Gardner*, Mr. *Jeffreys*, Mr. *Kearley*. Mr. *Kennedy*, Mr. *Kilbride*, Mr. *Lambert*. Sir *Mark Stewart*, Colonel *Warde*, Mr. *Whiteley*, and Mr. *Yerburgh*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

The Select Committee on the Shops (Early Closing) Bill was nominated of Mr. *Baldwin*, Marquess of *Carmarthen*, Mr. *Cameron Corbett*, Mr. *Diamond*, Dr. *Farquharson*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *Frederick Frye*, Sir *John Gorst*, Mr. *Seale-Hayne*, Mr. *Kearley*, Mr. *Leake*, Sir *John Lubbock*, Sir *Blundell Maple*, Sir *Francis Powell*, and Mr. *Samuel Smith*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned until Monday next.

Monday, 4th March, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Lancashire, *Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Bill.

Waterford and *Limerick* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills (Petition for additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Croydon Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.

The *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Great Southern and Western Railway Bill.

The Great Southern and Western Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Bray, Dalkey, Kingstown, and Blackrock Water Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Bray*, *Dalkey*, *Kingstown*, and *Blackrock* Water Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Metropolitan District Railway Bill.

The Metropolitan District Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

The

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 28th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That any County Council and any of the *London* Water Companies be entitled to be heard before the Select Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill on any Petitions praying to be heard by Counsel, presented by them on or before 14th March next, and that such Petitions be referred to the said Committee—(Mr. *James Stuart*);

And which Amendment was to insert after the word "County," the words "or District"—(Mr. *Byrne*);

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Cork and Fermoy Railway Bill.

A Bill to revive the Powers and extend the Period for the compulsory Purchase of Lands and Completion of certain Railways, and for the Abandonment of other Railways of the *Cork* and *Fermoy* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

Ordered, That all Petitions against the *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill, presented on or before the 18th day of this instant March, be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and that such of the Petitioners as pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, Agents, or Witnesses be heard on their Petitions against the Bill, if they think fit, and Counsel heard in support of the said Bill against such Petitions.—(Mr. *Parker Smith*.)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Post Office Telegraphs. No. 95.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Post Office Telegraphs, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant March, be printed.

Royal Irish Constabulary (Pensions.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing the Names of all Officers of the Royal *Irish* Constabulary now in receipt of Pensions, of all Head Constables, Sergeants, and Constables, and of all Widows and Children, to whom Pensions have been granted since the Constabulary Estimate for 1894–5 was prepared, with Amount and Date of Pension in each Case.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Education (Scotland) (Code) 1895.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Code of Regulations for Day Schools, by the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education in *Scotland*, 1895.

Education (Scotland.)

Copy of Circular of the *Scotch* Education Department relative to the Code of 1895.

Education (Scotland) (Evening Continuation Schools.)

Copy of Code of Regulations (by the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education in *Scotland*) for Evening Continuation Schools, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ancient Laws and Institutes of Ireland (Commission for Publication) (Brehon Law.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Commissioners for the Publication of the Ancient Laws and Institutes of *Ireland*, *Brehon* Law, dated January 1895.

Loan Fund Board (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Fifty-seventh Annual Report of the Loan Fund Board of *Ireland*, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Supplementary Estimate, 1894–5.) No. 94.

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Estimate of the further Amount which will be required during the year ending 31st March 1895 beyond the Sum already provided in the Grants for Navy Services for the year to meet additional Expenditure arising on certain Votes.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Brewers' Licences. No. 96.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return relating to Brewers' Licences (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 11, of Session 1894).

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Disbursements of Home Treasury.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Statement showing the Disbursements of the Home Treasury in each year from 1874–5 to 1893–4, inclusive, and the Mode in which Provision was made for those Disbursements.—(Sir *William Wedderburn*.)

Business of the House (Reports of Supply and Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That the Reports of the Committees of Supply and Ways and Means may be entered upon at any Hour, though opposed, and the Proceedings shall not be interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, except of Standing Order No. 5.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Public Accounts.

Ordered, That the Committee of Public Accounts do consist of Fifteen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Cameron Corbett*, Sir *John Gorst*, Mr. *Hanbury*, Sir *Arthur Hayter*, Sir *John Hibbert*, Mr. *Jackson*, Mr. *Alpheus Morton*, Mr. *Mowbray*, Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*, Mr. *Philip Stanhope*, Sir *Richard Temple*, Mr. *Webb*, and Mr. *Arthur Williams*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Sir *John Hibbert*).

Leicester Writs.

Ordered, That Sir *George Osborne Morgan* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on *Leicester* Writs.

Ordered, That Mr. *Samuel Evans* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Charles Fenwick* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on the Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Harry Lawson* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment.

Ordered, That Viscount *Wolmer* and Mr. *Woodall* be added to the Select Committee on Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Land Law (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to further amend the Law relating to the Occupation and Ownership of Land in *Ireland*, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Mr. Attorney General do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill. Bill 156.

Mr. *John Morley* accordingly presented a Bill to further amend the Law relating to the Occupation and Ownership of Land in *Ireland*, and for other purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make better provision for the settlement of Trade Disputes—(Mr. *Bryce*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Tuesday, 5th March, 1895:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 14th day of this instant March.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mortgagees' Costs Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Waterford Infirmary Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waterford* Infirmary Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Grand Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Grand Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Business of the House (Strangers during Divisions.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That Standing Order, No. 92 (Withdrawal of Strangers during Division) be read, and rescinded—(Mr. *Byles*):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Australian Colonies Customs Duties.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Customs Duties in the *Australian* Colonies: And that Mr. *Sydney Buxton* and Mr. Attorney General do prepare, and bring it in.

Charities (Diversions.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Charity Commissioners to restore to Charitable purposes Property which has been diverted, and to prevent future Diversions: And that Mr. *Dodd*, Mr. *Jesse Collings*, Mr. *Henry J. Wilson*, Mr. *Rankin*, and Mr. *Fuller* do prepare, and bring it in.

Australian Colonies Customs Duties Bill. Bill 157.

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to Customs Duties in the *Australian* Colonies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Mr.

Charities (Diversions) Bill. Bill 158.

Mr. *Dodd* presented a Bill to enable the Charity Commissioners to restore to Charitable purposes Property which has been diverted, and to prevent future Diversions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 5th March, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Bray, Dalkey, Kingstown, and Blackrock Water Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Bray, Dalkey, Kingstown,* and *Blackrock* Water Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

London, Deptford, and Greenwich Tramways.

A Petition of the *London, Deptford,* and *Greenwich* Tramways Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *London, Deptford,* and *Greenwich* Tramways Company to construct new Tramways, to extend the Time for the Completion of certain authorised Tramways of the Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Second Report. Railways Abandonment.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, in pursuance of Standing Order 158 A,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the following Bill, and its objects, *viz.:*

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Army (Ordnance Factories) (Supplementary Estimate, 1894–5.) No. 97.

Mr. *Woodall* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further Amount required during the year ending 31st March 1895, for the Service of the Ordnance Factories.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Army (Ordnance Factories.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Annual Accounts of the Ordnance Factories for the year 1893–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Naval Defence Acts, 1889 and 1893.

Account prepared by the Admiralty under the Provisions of the Naval Defence Acts, 1889 and 1893, showing the Amount of Money provided to meet the Expenditure for the purposes of the Acts, and the Mode in which and the Amount and Nature of the Securities by which it was provided, and the Balance of the Money authorised by the Acts to be provided for such Expenditure, and also the Amount of Money expended for the purposes of the Acts, distinguishing each purpose on which such Money was expended, and the Expenditure on each of the Vessels and its Armament on the 31st March 1894; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mines (Summaries.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Summaries of Statistics relating to Mines and Minerals for the year 1894.

Mines.

Copy of Reports of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Mines to the Secretary of State for the Home Department for the year 1894.

Prisons (England and Wales.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, dated the 27th February 1895, subject to the Prisons Acts, 1865 and 1877, with respect to the Dietaries of Prisons in *England* and *Wales.*

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Annual Reports Nos. 130 (*British Bechuanaland*) for 1893–94 and 131 (*British New Guinea*) for 1892–93 and 1893–94.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Warlike Operations (Killed and Wounded.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Sailors and Soldiers killed or wounded in War or Warlike Operations carried on by the Government of this Country and Chartered Companies during the years 1891, 1892, 1893, and 1894, respectively (exclusive of those carried on by the Government of *India*).—Mr. *Alpheus Morton.*)

East India (Warlike Operations) (Killed and Wounded.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Sailors and Soldiers killed or wounded in War or Warlike Operations carried on by the Government of *India* during the years 1891, 1892, 1893, and 1894, respectively.—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*).

East India (Military Expenditure) (Gilgit, &c.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Statement of Expenditure incurred on account of Military Expeditions to *Gilgit, Chilas, Hunza,* and intervening places during the financial years 1890–91 to 1892–93, inclusive.—(Mr. *Caine.*)

Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant March, the Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

Rotherham Corporation Bill [*Lords.*]

1. That, in the case of the *Rotherham* Corporation Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that the second sub-section of Clause 14 be struck out of the Bill, and that all powers to acquire lands or easements under Clauses 16 and 18 be limited to the parish of *Whiston*; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Orders have been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society.

2. That, in the case of the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that

that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the winding-up and Dissolution of the Widows' Fund Society of the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Birkmyre* and Mr. *Wason* do prepare, and bring it in.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1893: And that Mr. *Howell*, Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Henry Hobhouse*, Sir *Francis Powell*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, and Mr. *Parker Smith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

Bill 159.

Mr. *Howell* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Industrial and Provident Societies Act, 1893: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 4th day of this instant March, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make better provision for the settlement of Trade Disputes —(Mr. *Bryce*);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bryce*, Mr. *Burt*, and Mr. Attorney General do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

Bill 160.

Mr. *Bryce* accordingly presented a Bill to make better provision for the settlement of Trade Disputes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimates), 1894–95.

Class I.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 14,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Houses of Parliament Buildings:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,900, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Legh*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Legh*, Mr. *Hanbury*:	24.
Tellers for the Noes.	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	173.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class. II.

2. £. 7,300 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

3. £. 1,500 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 2,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for a Grant-in-Aid of the Mercantile Marine Fund.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,500, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

5. £. 496 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board for *Scotland*.

Class. III.

6. £. 16,570 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries of the Law Officers' Department and the Costs of Prosecutions, and of other Legal Proceedings conducted by the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, Queen's Proctor, and Director of Public Prosecutions.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 7,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for certain Miscellaneous Legal Expenses:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,900, be granted for the said Service—(Sir *Charles Dalrymple*):—Debate arising;

Wednesday, 6th March, 1895:

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Sir *Julian Goldsmid* also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Australian Colonies Customs Duties Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Australian* Colonies Customs Duties Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Shops Early Closing Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Seale-Hayne* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on the Shops Early Closing Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Tennant* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Magistrates as Chairmen of District Councils.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing, in each County, the Number of Magistrates who have been placed upon the Bench in virtue of their election as Chairmen of District Councils, in accordance with Section 22 of the Local Government Act, 1894.—(Mr. *Loder*.)

The

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Acts Extension Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Acts Extension Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant March.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 4th day of this instant March, That the Mortgagees' Costs Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading for the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Grand Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Certificate of completion of contract to be furnished to Grand Jury).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Bromley Davenport*)——put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 6th March, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE *British* Gaslight Company (*Staffordshire Potteries*) Bill was read a second time; and committed. — British Gaslight Company (Staffordshire Potteries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Weaver* Navigation (No. 3) Bill. — Weaver Navigation (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. — Public Petitions.

Vide Second Report.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Army (Ordnance Factories), which were presented upon the 5th day of this instant March, be printed. — Army (Ordnance Factories.) No. 99.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Naval Defence Acts, 1889 and 1893. which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant March, be printed. — Naval Defence Acts, 1889 and 1893. No. 100.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons (*England* and *Wales*), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant March, be printed. — Prisons (England and Wales.) No. 101.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for Civil Services and Revenue Departments, for the year ending 31st March 1896. — Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Estimates, 1895–96.) No. 98.

Copy of Memorandum of the Financial Secretary to the Treasury relating to the Civil Service Estimates, 1895–96. — Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895–96 (Memorandum on Estimates.) No. 98.

An Estimate showing the several Services for which a Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1896. — Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895–96 (Vote on Account.) No. 102.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates and Paper be printed.

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22nd day of February last, for a Return relative to *Newfoundland* (Financial Crisis). — Newfoundland (Financial Crisis.)

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of Representations made to the Governor of *India*, in March 1894, against the Exclusion of Cotton Manufactures from Import Duties by Chambers of Commerce and other Public Bodies in *India*.—(Mr. *Maden*.) — East India (Cotton Manufactures) (Import Duties.)

Trusts Administration.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord *Halsbury* and to the Lord *Shand* to attend to be examined as Witnesses before the Select Committee on Trusts Administration.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Burials Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burials Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *Tomlinson*.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Carvell Williams*, Sir *George Osborne Morgan*:	224.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Tomlinson*, Viscount *Cranborne*:	113.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Law, &c.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure—(Mr. *Carvell Williams*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being after half-past Five of the clock, and Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Militia Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Militia Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Mining Easements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Easements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant March.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Mines (Eight Hours) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant March.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant March.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Parliamentary Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant March.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant March.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant March.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the Revised International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea, dealing with sound signals in fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The

School Board for London Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant March.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant March.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant March.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant March.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Supply [5th March] Report.

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Class I.

Houses of Parliament Buildings (Supplementary.)

1. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 14,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Houses of Parliament Buildings.

Class II.

Foreign Office (Supplementary.)

2. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 7,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Colonial Office (Supplementary.)

3. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 1,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Mercantile Marine Fund (Supplementary.)

4. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 2,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for a Grant in Aid of the Mercantile Marine Fund.

Local Government Board (Scotland) (Supplementary.)

5. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 496, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board for *Scotland*.

Class III.

Law Charges (Supplementary.)

6. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 16,570, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries of the Law Officers' Department and the Costs of Prosecutions, and of other Legal Proceedings conducted by the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, Queen's Proctor, and Director of Public Prosecutions.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Grand Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Certificate of completion of contract to be furnished to Grand Jury).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again——put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Smaller Dwellings in Burghs in *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Alexander Cross*, Sir *James Carmichael*, and Mr. *M'Gilligan* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Petitions (First Report.

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 6th, 7th, 8th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 25th, 26th, 27th, and 28th days of February last, and the 1st and 4th days of this instant March, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Special Juries Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Special Juries Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland) Bill. Bill 161.

Mr. *Alexander Cross* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Smaller Dwellings in Burghs in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Public Accounts (First Report.) No. 103.

Sir *Richard Temple* reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made Progress in the matter to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 7th March 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill.

A BILL to provide for the winding-up and Dissolution of the Widows' Fund Society of the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 28th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That any County Council and any of the *London* Water Companies be entitled to be heard before the Select Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill on any Petitions praying to be heard by Counsel, presented by them on or before the 14th day of this instant March, and that such Petitions be referred to the said Committee—(Mr. *James Stuart*);

And which Amendment was to insert, after the word "County," the words "or District"—(Mr. *Byrne*);

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That any of the *London* Water Companies, presenting a Petition against the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill not later than the 14th day of this instant March, praying to be heard by Counsel, Agents, and Witnesses, and the council of any county which includes any part of the Metropolitan water area, presenting a Petition against the Bill not later than the 21st day of this instant March, praying to be heard by Counsel, Agents, and Witnesses, shall be entitled to be heard on such Petition before the Select Committee on the Bill.

Ordered, That any district council or other local authority for any district wholly or in part within the Metropolitan water area, the *London* Water Companies jointly, and any other person claiming to be affected by the Bill, presenting a Petition against the Bill not later than the 21st day of this instant March, praying to be heard by Counsel, Agents, and Witnesses, may be heard on such Petition before the Select Committee on the Bill, if and so far as the Committee shall think fit.—(Mr. *James Stuart*.)

Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That any of the *London* Water Companies, presenting a Petition against the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill not later than the 14th day of this instant March, praying to be heard by Counsel, Agents, and Witnesses, and the council of any county which includes any part of the Metropolitan water area, presenting a Petition against the Bill not later than the 21st day of this instant March, praying to be heard by Counsel, Agents, and Witnesses, shall be entitled to be heard on such Petition before the Select Committee on the Bill.

Ordered, That any district council or other local authority for any district wholly or in part within the Metropolitan water area, the *London* Water Companies jointly, and any other person claiming to be affected by the Bill, presenting a Petition against the Bill not later than the 21st day of this instant March, praying to be heard by Counsel, Agents, and Witnesses, may be heard on such Petition before the Select Committee on the Bill, if and so far as the Committee shall think fit.—(Mr. *James Stuart*.)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Second Report.

Newfoundland (Financial Crisis.) No. 104.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Newfoundland* (Financial Crisis), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant March, be printed.

Highlands and Islands of Scotland (Royal Commission.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Royal Commission on the Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*, 1892.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Paper.

Chelsea Hospital.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Commissioners of *Chelsea* Hospital, in respect of Army Prize and Legacy Funds, for the year ending 31st March 1894, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Irish Land Commission (Judicial Rents.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return, according to Provinces and Counties of Judicial Rents fixed by Chief Commission, Sub-Commissions, and Civil Bill Courts, as notified to the *Irish* Land Commission during the Month of December 1894, specifying Dates and Amounts respectively of the last Increases of Rent, where ascertained; also Rents fixed upon the Reports of Valuers appointed by the *Irish* Land Commission on the joint applications of Landlords and Tenants.

Irish Land Commission (Proceedings.)

Copy of Return of Proceedings of the *Irish* Land Commission under "The Land Law (*Ireland*) Acts, 1881 and 1887," "The Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts, 1883-91," "The Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Acts, 1885, 1888, and 1891," and "The Redemption of Rent (*Ireland*) Act, 1891," during the Month of January 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by Mr. *Wilson Fox* (Assistant Commissioner, Royal Commission on Agriculture) on the County of *Lincoln* (excepting the *Isle of Axholme*).

Ecclesiastical Commission.

Copy of the Forty-seventh Report from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for *England*, with an Appendix.

Church Estates Commission.

Copy of the Forty-fourth Report from the Church Estates Commissioners, for the year preceding 1st March 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered,

Trustee Savings Banks. No. 105.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return of the Transactions of each Savings Bank operating under Section 16 of "The Trustee Savings Banks Act, 1863," showing the Revenue Account for the year ended 20th November 1894, the Balance Sheet on 20th November 1894, the Rate of Interest allowed to Depositors during the year ended 20th November 1894, and the Security given by the Treasurer and other officers at that date (in continuation of House of Commons Paper, No. 69, of Session 1894).

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Out-door Relief (Specified Counties.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing as regards each Union, wholly or partly included in the Counties of *London*, *Middlesex*, *Surrey*, *York*, *Durham*, *Stafford*, *Warwick*, and *Lancaster*, the Number of Men who received Out-door Relief from the Guardians, and were set to work by them on a Labour Test during the year 1894, and from the 1st day of January to the 28th day of February 1895.—(Sir *Theodore Fry*.)

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimates), 1894–95.

Class III.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 7,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for certain Miscellaneous Legal Expenses:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,000, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Darling*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Darling*, Mr. *Jesse Collings*: } 106.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 167.

Original Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 131.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hanbury*, Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*: } 57.

Class VII.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 35,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for certain Expenditure in connection with the Relief of Distress in *Ireland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,500, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Carson*)——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class III.

3. £. 10 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 5,125, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and other Law Charges, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in *Scotland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,025, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Hanbury*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

5. £. 500 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries of the Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Class IV.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 136,189, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for Public Education in *England* and *Wales*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 136,000, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Dodd*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Harry Foster*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Harry Foster*, Sir *Richard Temple*: } 46.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 98.

Original Question again proposed.

Friday, 8*th March*, 1895:

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Roby* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *Roby* also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, this day, at Two of the clock.

Australian Colonies Customs Duties Bill.

The *Australian* Colonies Customs Duties Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day, at Two of the clock.

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fishermen's Voting (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 4th day of this instant March, That the Mortgagees Costs Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Burials Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant March, That the Burials Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read. for the Committee on the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Shop Hours.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Shop Hours Act, 1892: And that Mr. *George Russell* and Mr. Secretary *Asquith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Shops Early Closing Bill.

Ordered, That the Marquess of *Carmarthen* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Shops Early Closing Bill.

Ordered, That Viscount *Cranborne* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

Shop Hours Bill.

Bill 162.

Mr. *Thomas Ellis* presented a Bill to amend the Shop Hours Act, 1892: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 8th March, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Jarvis's Charity (Staunton-on-Wye, &c.)

THE Vice Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 21st day of February last, relative to *Jarvis's* Charity (*Staunton-on-Wye*, &c.), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that I will withhold My Consent from the Scheme of the Charity Commissioners relating to the Charity of *George Jarvis* to the Inhabitants of the Parishes of *Staunton-on-Wye*, *Letton*, and *Bredwardine*, in the County of *Hereford*. I will comply with your advice.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Second Report.

Chelsea Hospital.

Ordered, That the Account relative to *Chelsea* Hospital, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant March, be printed.

No. 106.

Queen Anne's Bounty.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Annual Report and Accounts of the Governors of Queen *Anne*'s Bounty for the year ending 31st December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887 (Prosecutions.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of Prosecutions under the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 29, of Session 1890–91), setting forth:—

1. Date of Trial;
2. Place of Trial and Court by which Case was tried;
3. Name of Inspection District;
4. Initials of Name of Person charged;
5. Description of Person charged, whether Miner, Manager, Agent, Owner, or otherwise;
6. Offence charged;
7. Person at whose instance Charge was made, whether Inspector, Owner, Agent, Manager, Miner, or otherwise;
8. Result of Trial, and of Proceedings, if any, on Appeal;
9. Penalty.

Saint John's Industrial School, Walthamstow.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of February last, for a Return relative to *Saint John's* Industrial School, *Walthamstow*.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

East India (Military Expenditure, Gilgit, &c.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 5th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *East India* (Military Expenditure, *Gilgit*, &c.)

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report for 1893, No. 132 (*Lagos*).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lunacy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Return to the Lord Chancellor, under the 53rd *Vic.* c. 5, s. 162, of the Number of Visits made, and the Number of Patients seen, by the several Commissioners in Lunacy, during the Six Months ending on the 31st December 1894.

Religious Opinions (Prosecutions) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday next, the Religious Opinions (Prosecutions) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant March.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimates), 1894–95.

Class IV.

1. £. 136,189 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for Public Education in *England* and *Wales*.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 10, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Expenses of the University of *London*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5, be granted for the said Service—(Sir *Albert Rollit*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class V.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Expenses in connection with the Suppression of the Slave Trade, and the Expenses of the Maintenance of certain Liberated *Africans*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 400, be granted for the said Services—(Mr. *Joseph Pease*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Lockwood*, Mr. *Howard*: } 106.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 153.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of *Cyprus*:—Debate arising;

And, it being ten minutes to Seven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Sir *Julian Goldsmid* also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Australian Colonies Customs Duties Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Australian* Colonies Customs Duties Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Repeal of enactments requiring imposition of same duties on similar articles).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply (7th March) [Report.]

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimates), 1894–95.

Class III.

Miscellaneous Legal Expenses (Supplementary.)

1. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 7,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for certain Miscellaneous Legal Expenses.

Class VII.

Relief of Distress in Ireland.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 35,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for certain Expenditure in connection with the Relief of Distress in *Ireland*.

Class III.

County Courts (Supplementary.)

3. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 10, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

Law Charges (Scotland) (Supplementary.)

4. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 5,125, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and other Law Charges, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in *Scotland*.

General Register House, Edinburgh (Supplementary.)

5. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries of the Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant March.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Charities (Diversions) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant March.

Evening Sitting.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "no system of Taxation can be "equitable unless it includes the direct assess-"ment of the enhanced value of land due to "the increase of population and wealth and the "growth of towns"—(Mr. *Provand*),—instead thereof.

Local Taxation (Urban Districts.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "no system of Taxation can be equitable unless "it includes the direct assessment of the enhanced "value of land due to the increase of population "and wealth and the growth of towns," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That no system of Taxation can be equitable unless it includes the direct assessment of the enhanced value of land due to the increase of population and wealth and the growth of towns.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories and Workshops Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of February last, That the Plumbers' Registration Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Saturday, 9th March, 1895:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of this instant March.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Technical Education (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Amount expended in *Ireland* by the Science and Art Department on Technical Education during the year 1894.—(Mr. *Dunbar Barton*.)

Food Products Adulteration.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Food Products Adulteration in Session 1894 be referred to the Select Committee on Food Products Adulteration.—(Sir *Walter Foster*.)

The

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant March.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 11*th March*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 63 complied with.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, *viz.*:

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

The *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Waterford and Limerick Railway Bill.

The *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill in Session 1894 be referred to the Committee on the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Second Report.

Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887 (Prosecutions.) No. 72.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887 (Prosecutions), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant March, be printed.

Saint John's Industrial School, Walthamstow. No. 107.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Saint John's* Industrial School, *Walthamstow*, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant March, be printed.

University of Glasgow. No. 108.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Annual Statistical Report by the University Court of the University of *Glasgow* to the Secretary for *Scotland*, under the provisions of Section 30 of the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, for the year ending 30th September 1894.

University of Glasgow. No. 109.

Copy of Abstract of Accounts of the University of *Glasgow* for the year ending 30th September 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Irish Land Commission (Rules.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Rule issued by the *Irish* Land Commissioners, dated 18th February 1895.

Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Ireland) 1877.

Mr. *John Morley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 6th March 1895, giving effect to Rules of Court under "The Finance Act, 1894."

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Friendly Societies, Industrial and Provident Societies, and Trade Unions. No. 110.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Reports of the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies, for the year ending 31st December 1894, on Friendly Societies, Industrial and Provident Societies, and Trade Unions.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Endowed Charities (Bedford.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Digest of the Endowed Charities in the County of *Bedford*, the particulars of which are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*, but are not recorded in the General Digest of Endowed Charities for that County, 1861–63 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 433, of Session 1868).—(Mr. *Francis Stevenson*.)

Endowed Charities (Northumberland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Digest of the Endowed Charities in the County of *Northumberland*, the particulars of which are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*, but are not recorded in the General Digest of Endowed Charities for that County, 1869–71 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 25 (2), of Session 1873).—(Mr. *Francis Stevenson*.)

Metropolis Management (Saint Paul, Deptford) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, Tomorrow, the Metropolis Management (*Saint Paul, Deptford*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant March.

Standing Committees.

Ordered, That all Standing Committees have leave to print, and circulate with the Votes, the Minutes of their Proceedings, and any amended Clauses of Bills committed to them.—(Sir *George Osborne Morgan*.)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Edinburgh Merchant Company Endowments Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the better administration of the Merchant Company Hospitals and Schools in the City of *Edinburgh*; to constitute a General Board; to create a Common Fund, a Superannuation Fund, and a Reserve Fund; to confer further Powers of Administration, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Trusts Administration.

The Lords give leave to the Lord *Halsbury* to attend in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by this House on Trusts Administration, his Lordship (in his place) consenting.

Edinburgh Merchant Company Endowments Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Edinburgh* Merchant Company Endowments Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Naval Efficiency.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House, before voting Supplies for the Maintenance of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments, seeks an assurance that "the

"the Estimates submitted to it with that object "by Her Majesty's Government are based upon "a consideration of the needs of possible war by "sea and land, and upon the consideration of "advice tendered in that behalf by the Naval "Officer selected for the conduct of the Naval "operations in case of war,"—(Mr. *Arnold-Forster*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Navy Estimates, 1895-6.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That 88,850 Men and Boys be employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, including 15,505 Royal Marines;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Edmund Robertson*)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the Matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Supply [8th March] Report. Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimates), 1894-5.

Class IV.

Public Education, England and Wales (Supplementary.) 1. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.136,189, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for Public Education in *England* and *Wales*.

London University (Supplementary.) 2. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.10, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Expenses of the University of *London*.

Class V.

Suppression of the Slave Trade (Supplementary.) 3. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Expenses in connection with the Suppression of the Slave Trade, and the Expenses of the Maintenance of certain Liberated *Africans*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Australian Colonies Customs Duties Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Australian* Colonies Customs Duties Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Repeal of enactments requiring imposition of same duties on similar articles.)

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Question put, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Tuesday, 12*th March*, 1895:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Factories and Workshops Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories and Workshops Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant March.

Hypothec (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hypothec (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 19th day of this instant March.

Waterford Infirmary Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waterford* Infirmary Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 21st day of this instant March.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Registration Law Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the revised International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea, dealing with sound signals in fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers.—(Sir *Donald Currie*.)

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Grand Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Certificate of completion of contract to be furnished to Grand Jury).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Question put, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Burials Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant March, That the Burials Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. *Carvell Williams*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, Objection being taken to Further Proceedings, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Distress from Want of Employment (First Report.) No. 111.

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* reported from the Select Committee on Distress from Want of Employment, who were instructed to make an interim Report to the House at the earliest possible Date, on what steps should be taken either by Parliament, the Departments of State, or Local Authorities to meet the Distress this Winter; That they had made progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 12*th March*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order applicable thereto complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with:—

London (*Boundary Street, Bethnal Green*) Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant March.

Bray, Dalkey, Kingstown, and Blackrock Water Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Bray, Dalkey, Kingstown,* and *Blackrock* Water Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Police and Sanitary Regulations

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection do appoint a Committee, not exceeding Nine Members, to whom shall be committed all Private Bills promoted by Municipal and other Local Authorities, by which it is proposed to create Powers relating to Police and Sanitary Regulations which deviate from, or are in extension of, or are repugnant to, the General Law.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.—(Mr. *George Russell.*)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Third Report.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 2nd March 1895, declaring that *James England,* Auxiliary Postman, Post Office, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Vaccination (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fortieth Annual Report of the Registrar General on the Births, Deaths, and Marriages registered in *Scotland* during the year 1894, and Thirtieth Annual Report on Vaccination.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Merchant Shipping Casualties (Rules.)

Mr. *Bryce* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of General Rules for Formal Investigations into Shipping Casualties, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1496.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Savings Banks.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return from each Savings Bank in *England* and *Wales, Scotland, Ireland,* and the *Channel Islands,* containing, in Columns, the Names of the Officers, their respective Salaries, and other Allowances, if any: the Amount of Security each gives; the Annual Expenses of Management, inclusive of all Payments and Salaries, for the year ended the 20th day of November 1894; the Rate *per Centum per annum* on the Capital of the Bank for the Expenses of Management; the Rate of Interest paid to Depositors on the various Amounts of Deposits, and the Average Rate of Interest on all Accounts; the Number of Accounts remaining open; the Total Amount owing to Depositors; the Total Amount invested with the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt; the Balance in the hands of the Treasurer at the 20th day of November 1894; the Total Amount of the separate Surplus Fund on the 20th day of November 1894; other Assets, including Estimated Value of Bank Premises, Furniture, &c.; the Total Assets; the Total Amount of Government Stock standing to the Credit of Depositors; the Number and Amount of Annuities granted; and the Average Cost of each Transaction; also the year in which Business commenced in each Bank, and the Name of the Day or Days, and the Number of Hours in the Week, on which the Banks are open for the Deposit and Withdrawal of Moneys; including in such Return a List of all such Savings Banks as, under the provisions of the Act 26 *Vic.* c. 14, or otherwise, have been closed and have transferred their Funds, or any part thereof, to the Post Office Savings Banks; showing, in each Case, the Number of such Banks, as well as the Number and Amount of Depositors' Accounts so transferred, and the Amount of Compensation, if any, made to all or any of the Officers of such Banks respectively; and showing also the Years in which such Banks were respectively opened and closed, and the Number and Amount of their Depositors' Balances, and the Number of Days and Hours in each Week on which the same Banks were open for Public Business at the close of the year next preceding the Date of such Closing; distinguishing the same, as in the Form of the Return, for each separate County, as well as collectively, for *England* and *Wales, Scotland, Ireland,* and the *Channel Islands,* and for the United Kingdom (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 175, of Session 1894.)—(Mr. *Maclure.*)

Occupations of the People (England and Wales), enumerated in 1871, 1881, and 1891.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Numbers of Males and Females (distinguishing those aged under and over 20 years) enumerated in *England* and *Wales* at each of the three Censuses in 1871, 1881, and 1891 under the various Occupational Headings in the Census Reports for those years, corrected as far as possible for changes in the System of Classification adopted at these successive Census; the figures for 1881 and 1871 corrected and adjusted so as to make them as nearly as possible comparable with those of 1891. All ascertained changes adopted in the Classification of Occupations in 1881 and 1891 to be fully noted in the Return, even if the change is of such a character as to render correction of the figures for such changes impossible:—

Occupational Headings.	Males.									Females.								
	Total.			Under 20.			Above 20.			Total.			Under 20.			Above 20.		
	1891	1881	1871	1891	1881	1871	1891	1881	1871	1891	1881	1871	1891	1881	1871	1891	1881	1871

—(Mr. *Shaw Lefevre.*)

Commissioners of the City of London (Baths and Washhouses) Bill.

Mr. *Alpheus Morton* reported from the Select Committee on the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London* (Baths and Washhouses) Bill; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 112.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Bill 163.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next; and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

London, Deptford, and Greenwich Tramways.

1. That, in the case of the *London, Deptford,* and *Greenwich* Tramways Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided

provided that the powers to construct the proposed new Tramways be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Leeds Corporation Tramways Bill [*Lords.*]

2. That, in the case of the *Leeds* Corporation Tramways Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that all powers for the construction of generating stations be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Payment of Wages Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Payment of Wages Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of April next.

Game Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Game Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Poor Law Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors: And that Mr. *Courtney*, Mr. *Bolitho*, Sir *Thomas Lea*, Mr. *Brynmor Jones*, and Colonel *Bridgeman* do prepare, and bring it in.

Small Tenants (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Land in *Scotland* by Small Tenants: And that Captain *Sinclair*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Crombie*, Dr. *Farquharson*, Mr. *Tennant*, and Mr. *Wason* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill. Bill 164.

Mr. *Courtney* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 25th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill. Bill 165.

Captain *Sinclair* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Tenure of Land in *Scotland* by small Tenants: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

That 88,850 Men and Boys for the Sea and Coast Guard Services, including 15,505 Royal Marines.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Australian Colonies Customs Duties Bill.

The *Australian* Colonies Customs Duties Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883: And that Sir *John Hibbert*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. *John Morley* do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Taxation of Land Values by Local Authorities: And that Mr. *Naoroji*, Mr. *Lough*, Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, Mr. *Benn*, and Mr. *Frye* do prepare, and bring it in.

Distress from Want of Employment.

Ordered, That Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Distress from Want of Employment.

Ordered, That Mr. *Heywood Johnstone* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas.*)

Houses in Towns (Ireland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 25th day of this instant March.

And the House, having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 13*th March*, 1895:

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the revised International Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea, dealing with Sound Signals in Fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers—(Sir *Donald Currie*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Grand Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Burials Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant March, That the Burials Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Mr. *Carvell Williams*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Trade, &c.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Trade, &c.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, to which the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill is committed.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Chartered Accountants Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant March.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill. Bill 166.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented a Bill to amend the Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 26th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities) (No 2) Bill. Bill 167.

Mr. *Naoroji* presented a Bill to provide for the Taxation of Land Values by Local Authorities: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next; and to be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 3)

Sir *Theodore Fry* reported from the Committee on Group 3 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven o'clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 13*th March*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

London (Boundary Street, Bethnal Green) Provisional Order Bill.

THE *London* (*Boundary Street, Bethnal Green*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

London, Deptford, and Greenwich Tramways Bill.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the *London, Deptford*, and *Greenwich* Tramways Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower the *London, Deptford*, and *Greenwich* Tramways Company to construct new Tramways; to extend the Time for the completion of certain authorised Tramways of the Company, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Boord* and Mr. *Macdona* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Cranbrook District Water Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Cranbrook* District Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Newmarket Gas Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Newmarket* Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

North Staffordshire Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the North *Staffordshire* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through

through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East Indian Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *East Indian* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Third Report.

Civil Services, 1894–95 (Additional Supplementary Estimate.) No. 113.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Estimate of the Amount required in the year ending 31st March 1895, to defray the Cost of Purchase of Portraits for the National Portrait Gallery (Class IV., Vote 5).

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

East India (Petitions.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of December 1893, for a Return of the Total Number and the Number for each year of Petitions addressed to the Secretary of State for *India* in Council, or to His Excellency the Viceroy of *India* in Council, which the Viceroy in Council or other *Indian* Administrations have, in the exercise of the discretion provided for in the Petition Rules, or otherwise, for any other reason refused to forward during the five years ending on the 31st day of August 1893, distinguishing each Administration and the causes of such refusals respectively, distinguishing the Petitioners who were Natives of *India* from those who were *Eurasians* and *Europeans*, and giving the Salaries or Pensions of the Petitioners where they can be ascertained.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Bristol Borough (East Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bristol* (East Division), in the room of Sir *Joseph Dodge Weston*, deceased.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Naval Works [Consolidated Fund.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of making provision for the construction of Works in the United Kingdom and in certain Colonies for the purposes of the Royal Navy, and of authorising the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, and out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of such Sums as may be necessary for those purposes—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*);

Mr. *John Morley*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure—(Mr. *Crilly*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *Crilly* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *Byles* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Mines (Eight Hours) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Special Juries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Special Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Smaller Dwellings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Supply [12th March] Report.

Mr. *Thomas Ellis* reported from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

Navy (Sea and Coast Guard Services.)

That 88,850 Men and Boys be employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, including 15,505 Royal Marines.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the Revised International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea, dealing with sound signals in fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers—(Sir *Donald Currie*);

And which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "raised," in line 2, to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "Order in "Council of the 30th day of January 1893 relative to the fixing and screening of ships' side-"lights, and to the adoption by Order in Council "of the sound signals prescribed by Article 15 "and Article 28 of the Revised Regulations for "preventing collision at sea, as set forth in the "Board of Trade Circular to Shipowners of 6th "March 1894"—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*),—instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And, Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Criminal Law Procedure.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Criminal Law Procedure in certain particulars: And that Mr. *Lloyd Morgan*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Walton*, Mr. *Bucknill*, Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*, Mr. *Rees-Davies*, and Mr. *Samuel Evans* do prepare, and bring it in.

Criminal Law Procedure Bill. Bill 168.

Mr. *Lloyd Morgan* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Criminal Law Procedure in certain particulars: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Public Petitions (Second Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 11th days of this instant March; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 14*th March*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Message from the Lords.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Seed Potatoes Supply (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Bill, without Amendment.

Agricultural Company of Mauritius Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Agricultural Company of *Mauritius*, Limited, to subdivide their Capital into Preference and Ordinary Capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Credit Foncier of Mauritius Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for creating a Preference Stock of the Credit Foncier of *Mauritius* (Limited), and for other purposes relating thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Agricultural Company of Mauritius Bill [*Lords.*]

The Agricultural Company of *Mauritius* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Credit Foncier of Mauritius Bill [*Lords.*]

The Credit Foncier of *Mauritius* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London, Deptford, and Greenwich Tramways Bill.

A Bill to empower the *London*, *Deptford*, and *Greenwich* Tramways Company to construct new Tramways; to extend the Time for the completion of certain authorised Tramways of the Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

A Message

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas D. Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to the several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, 1894, Amendment Act, 1895.
2. Seed Potatoes Supply (*Ireland*) Act, 1895.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Third Report.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge) No. 114.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statutes made by the University of *Cambridge* on 21st November 1894, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, altering Statute A., Chapter II. and III. of the Statutes of the University.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge.) No. 115.

Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of King's College, *Cambridge*, on 27th October 1894, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, amending (1) Statute E., Chapters II. and V., and Statute K., Chapter III., and (2) Statute F. of the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railways Abandonment.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, in pursuance of Standing Order 158A,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the *Derry* City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill, and the objects thereof.

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

American Mail Service.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Days, Hours, and Minutes occupied in the transit of Her Majesty's Mails, both Outward and Inward, carried during the year 1894 by Steamships between *Queenstown* and *New York*, and also between *Southampton* and *New York*; the Return to specify the Names of the Steamers, and to indicate by asterisks or otherwise those not carrying the Mails under Contract (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 72, of Session 1894).—(Sir *John Leng*.)

Trade, &c. Rating of Machinery Bill. No. 116.

Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, to whom the Rating of Machinery Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of April next.

Hypothec (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time upon Tuesday next, the Hypothec (*Scotland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of April next.

Glasgow Court Houses Bill [Parties do not proceed.]

Sir *James Kitson* reported from the Committee on Group B. of Private Bills; That the parties promoting the *Glasgow* Court Houses Bill had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Shop Hours Regulation Bill in Session 1886, and the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Shop Hours Bill in Session 1892, be referred to the Select Committee on the Shops (Early Closing) Bill.—(Sir *John Lubbock*.)

Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment in Session 1894 be referred to the Select Committee on Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment.—(Sir *George Chesney*.)

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Acts Extension Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Acts Extension Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant March.

Adjournment.

Mr. *Cochrane*, Member for North *Ayrshire*, rose in his place, and asked leave to move the Adjournment of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, *viz.*, "the Convention concluded by Her Majesty's Government with the Government of the *South African* Republic, relative to the affairs of *Swaziland*, which has just been laid upon the Table of the House;" but the pleasure of the House not having been signified, Mr. Speaker called on those Members who supported the Motion to rise in their places, and not less than Forty Members having accordingly risen;

Swaziland.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. *Cochrane*);

And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Telephone Service.

The Select Committee on the Telephone Service was nominated of Captain *Bagot*, Mr. *Baird*, Mr. *Benn*, Sir *Charles Cameron*, Mr. *John Ellis*, Sir *James Fergusson*, Sir *Julian Goldsmid*, Sir *John Gorst*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. *Arnold Morley*, Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*, Mr. *Snape*, Lord *Stanley*, and Mr. *Tully*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Army (Indian Contribution.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the Military Appropriations in "Aid paid by *India*, in addition to the payment "by that Country of the Cost of the *British* "Army in *India*, and of its Transport to and from "*India*, are excessive and unjust to *India*"—(Mr. *Hanbury*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *McArthur*: } 88.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hanbury*, Mr. *Philip Stanhope*: } 25.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will To-morrow, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works [Consolidated Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Naval Works [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Shop Hours Bill.

The Shop Hours Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fishermen's Voting (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 15*th March*, 1895:

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Burials Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant March, That the Burials Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House;

Mr. Speaker reminds the House of the position of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker thereupon reminded the House that on the 11th day of this instant March the Order for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure had been read, and discharged, and that consequently the Bill was now in the position of a Bill which had been read a second time, without any Motion being made to refer it to a Standing or Select Committee. He had therefore to call upon the honourable Member in charge of the Bill to fix a day for Committee.

Whereupon the said Order for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question was discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 19th day of June next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Smaller Dwellings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the Revised International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea, dealing with sound signals in fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers—(Sir *Donald Currie*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Public Health.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer additional Powers upon County Councils for securing uniformity in the administration of the Public Health Acts within their Districts: And that Lord *Stanley*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, and Mr. *Seton-Karr* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health Bill. Bill 169.

Lord *Stanley* accordingly presented a Bill to confer additional Powers upon County Councils for securing uniformity in the administration of the Public Health Acts within their Districts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 15*th March*, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:

London and North Western Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Commons.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider every Report made by the Board of Agriculture, certifying the expediency of any Provisional Order for the enclosure or regulation of a Common, and presented to the House during the last or present Sessions, before a Bill be brought in for the confirmation of such Order.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee that they have power in respect of such Provisional Order, to inquire and Report to the House whether the same should be confirmed by Parliament; and, if so, whether with or without modification, and in the event of their being of opinion that the same should not be confirmed, except subject to modification, to report such modifications accordingly with a view to such Provisional Order being remitted to the Board of Agriculture.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Twelve Members, Seven to be nominated by the House, and Five by the Committee of Selection.

Dr. *Ambrose*, Viscount *Curzon*, Sir *Arthur Hayter*, Mr. *Seale-Hayne*, Mr. *Jeffreys*, Sir *Thomas Robinson*, and Mr. *Taylor* were accordingly nominated Members of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records,

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Public Petitions.

Vide Third Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

East India (Military Expenditure, Gilgit, &c.) No. 117.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Military Expenditure, *Gilgit*, &c.), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant March, be printed.

Police (Scotland) Act, 1890.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Two Regulations (Nos. 1 and 2), made by the Secretary for *Scotland*, varying the basis of Distribution, under Section 17 of the Police (*Scotland*) Act, 1890, of the Exchequer Contribution in aid of Police Superannuation.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 77.) No. 118.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Smith* (*Crutherland*) Foundation (Ordinance, No. 77, *Glasgow*, No. 8).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 78.) No. 119.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the *Boyd* and *Wilson* Bursary (Ordinance, No. 78, *Glasgow*, No. 9).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 79.) No. 120.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Forfar* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 79, *Glasgow*, No. 10).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 80.) No. 121.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *James Adam* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 80, *Glasgow*, No. 11).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 81.) No. 122.

Copy of Ordinance, made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities *Scotland* Act, 1889, with regard to the Regulations for *Crawfurd* and *Brown* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 81, *Glasgow*, No. 12).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 82.) No. 123.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Gilhagie* and *Struthers* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 82, *Glasgow*, No. 13).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 83.) No. 124.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Thomas Hutcheson* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 83, *Glasgow*, No. 14).

Copy

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 84.)
No. 125.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for Foundation Bursaries (Ordinance, No. 84, *Glasgow*, No. 15).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 85.)
No. 126.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Patrick* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 85, *Glasgow*, No. 16).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 86.)
No. 127.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for Archbishop *Leighton's* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 86, *Glasgow*, No. 17).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 87.)
No. 128.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Ardkinglass* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 87, *Glasgow*, No. 18).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 88.)
No. 129.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Leadbetter* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 88, *Glasgow*, No. 19).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 89.)
No. 130.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Howison* and *Gilchrist* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 89, *Glasgow*, No. 20).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 90.)
No. 131.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the *Hastie* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 90, *Glasgow*, No. 21).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 91.)
No. 132.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Denny* and *Scott* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 91, *Glasgow*, No. 22).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 92.)
No. 133.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Armagh* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 92, *Glasgow*, No. 23).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 93.)
No. 134.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Watt* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 93, *Glasgow*, No. 24).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 94.)
No. 135.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Dundonald* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 94, *Glasgow*, No. 25).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 95.)
No. 136.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Hyndford* and *Ross* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 95, *Glasgow*, No. 26).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 96.)
No. 137.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Hamilton* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 96, *Glasgow*, No. 27).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 97.)
No. 138.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Cleland* and *Rae Wilson* Medals (Ordinance, No. 97, *Glasgow*, No. 28).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 98.)
No. 139.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Gartmore* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 98, *Glasgow*, No. 29).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 99.)
No. 140.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for King *William's* Bursaries (Ordinance, No. 99, *Glasgow*, No. 30).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 100.)
No. 141.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Luke* Fellowship (Ordinance, No. 100, *Glasgow*, No. 31).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance No. 101.)
No. 142.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Henderson* Prize (Ordinance, No. 101, *Glasgow*, No. 32).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinances, Nos. 77 to 101), be printed.

Bankruptcy Courts (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Returns of the Official Assignees of the Court of Bankruptcy in *Ireland*, and the Local Bankruptcy Courts at *Belfast* and *Cork*, showing the State of every Bankruptcy and Insolvency under their charge, for the year ending on the 31st day of December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Order in Council, dated 8th March 1895, entitled, The *Cyprus* Extradition Order in Council, 1895.

Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 8th March 1895, entitled, The *Ottoman* Dominions (Courts) Order in Council, 1895.

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 8th March 1895, for the recognition in the United Kingdom of Certificates granted for Passenger Steamers by the Legislature of *Queensland*.

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 8th March 1895, for the recognition in the United Kingdom of Certificates granted for Passenger Steamers by the Legislature of *Victoria*.

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 8th March 1895, authorising the payment of Annual Increments to Lower Grade Clerks in the service of the Commissioners of *Irish* Lights, and reducing their time of service for Promotion.

Spring Assizes Act, 1879.

Copy of Two Orders in Council made under the Spring Assizes Act, 1879, dated 8th March 1895, relating to Spring Assizes (Spring Assize Counties, Nos. 2 and 3).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Soane's Museum.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Statement of the Funds of the Museum of the late Sir *John Soane* on 5th January 1895.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1895–96.

1. Land Forces, not exceeding 155,403, all ranks, for the Service of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* at Home and Abroad, excluding Her Majesty's *Indian* Possessions.

2. £. 6,003,000, for the Pay, Allowances, and other Charges of Her Majesty's Army at Home and Abroad (exclusive of *India*) (General Staff, Regiments, Reserve, and Departments).

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works [Consolidated Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Shop Hours Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Shop Hours Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had gone through through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of February last, That the Plumbers, Registration Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, that the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Larceny Act, 1861, with respect to the Jurisdiction exerciseable in Cases relating to the Receipt of Stolen Property; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate and amend the Law relating to Perjury and kindred Offences; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

William Hancock and Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the Conversion of the Ordinary Shares of *William Hancock* and Company (Limited) into Preferred and Deferred Ordinary Shares, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

William Hancock and Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The *William Hancock* and Company Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Selection (Standing Committees.)

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure:—Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Hopwood*.

Law, &c.

Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures the following Fifteen Members in respect of the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill and the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill:—Mr. *Baldwin*, Mr. *Bigwood*, Mr. *Chaplin*, Mr. *Conybeare*, Sir *William Hart Dyke*, Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, Mr. *Herbert Gardner*, Sir *John Kinloch*, Mr. *Lawrence Hardy*, Mr. *Lambert*, Colonel *Long*, Mr. *Luttrell*, Mr. *Humphreys-Owen*, Mr. *George Russell*, and Sir *Richard Temple*.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, and Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committtee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Crystal Palace Company Bill [*Lords.*]

1. That, in the case of the *Crystal Palace* Company Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Central Ireland Railway Bill.

2. That, in the case of the Central *Ireland* Railway Bill, Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the City of *Waterford* for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of their Petition against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Evening Sitting.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Foreign Products (Unrestricted Importation.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words, "Whereas, in the opinion of this "House, the reduction both at Home and Abroad "of former markets for *British* commodities by "the unfair operation of hostile tariffs and "bounties, and the unrestricted importation of "the products of competing labour, working "under entirely different conditions to those im-"posed by Law and custom in the United King-"dom, is largely answerable for the numbers of "Unemployed and the diminished earnings of "the people in manufacture, agriculture, and "shipping, it is the duty of the Government to "adopt without delay such measures as may en-"sure the defence of *British* industrial in-"terests,"—(Colonel *Howard Vincent*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: 105.

Tellers for the Noes, Colonel *Howard Vincent*, Mr. *Seton Karr*: 35.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 16th March, 1895:

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories and Workshops Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disutes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London (Baths and Wash-houses) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London* (Baths and Washhouses) (re-committed) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 7, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Licensing Ac's Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Rating of Machinery Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Rating of Machinery Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday the 19th day of June next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill. Law, &c.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 18th March, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:

London Street Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,— Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.*:

Agricultural Company of *Mauritius* Bill.

Credit Foncier of *Mauritius* Bill.

Edinburgh Merchant Company Endowments Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill.

The *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Ashey and Horringford Junction Railway Bill.

The Order, made upon the 18th day of February last, That the *Ashey* and *Horringford* Junction Railway Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Third Report.

Police (Scotland) Act, 1890. No. 144.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Police (*Scotland*) Act, 1890, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant March, be printed.

Navy (Excesses), 1893-94.) No. 143.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of Excess Expenditure for Navy Services for the year 1893-94.

Ordered, That the said Paper be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr.

Historical Manuscripts (Royal Commission.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Appendix to the Fourteenth Report of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts, Part VII. (MSS of the Marquis of *Ormonde*, Vol. 1).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts. No. 145.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme for the management of the following Foundations in the Parish of *Nuneaton*, in the County of *Warwick*:

(1) The Charity of *Richard Smith* regulated by a Scheme established by an Order of the Court of Chancery of the 6th December 1833; and

(2) The Grammar School of King *Edward* VI. regulated by a Scheme made under the Endowed Schools Act on the 28th April 1876;

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1497.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 354.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Queensland (Immigration.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 8th day of February last, for a Return relative to *Queensland* (Immigration) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 342, of Session 1893).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Endowed Charities (Bedford.) No. 146.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of this instant March, for a Return, relative to Endowed Charities (*Bedford*) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 433, of Session 1868).

Endowed Charities (Northumberland.) No. 147.

Return to an Order dated the 11th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Endowed Charities (*Northumberland*) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 25 (2), of Session 1873).

Ordered, That the said Returns be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

American Mortgage Company of Scotland Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for creating a Preference Stock of the *American* Mortgage Company of *Scotland*, Limited, and for other purposes relating thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Statute Law Revision Bills, &c.

The Lords have come to the following Resolution, in the case of the Statute Law Revision Bills, *viz.*:

"That it is desirable that all Statute Law Revision Bills and Consolidation Bills of the present Session be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament;" to which Resolution they desire the concurrence of this House,

American Mortgage Company of Scotland Bill [*Lords.*]

The *American* Mortgage Company of *Scotland* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Out-door Relief (Ireland.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make temporary provision for the Relief of Distress in *Ireland*—(Mr. *John Morley*);

Mr. Speaker puts the Question, pursuant to S. O. 16.

And the Motion being opposed; after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion, and from a Member who apposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question in pursuance of Standing Order 16;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 158.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Bartley*, Major *Rasch*: } 38.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill. Bill 170.

Mr. *John Morley* accordingly presented a Bill to make temporary provision for the Relief of Distress in *Ireland*: And the some was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed,

Supply

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,133,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Wages, &c., to Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,132,500, be granted for the said service—(Sir *Wilfrid Lawson*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Wilfrid Lawson*, Sir *William Wedderburn*: } 32.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 153.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,132,400, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Kearley*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2, £. 200,000 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for additional Expenditure on the following Navy Services, *viz.*:—

	£.
Vote 8. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c.:—	
Sec. 1. Personnel - - - - -	26,000
Sec. 2. Materiel - - - - -	158,000
Vote 10. Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad - - - - -	16,000
Total - - -	£. 200,000

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 19*th March*, 1895:

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant March, That the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Supply [15th March] Report.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Army Estimates, 1895–96.

Land Forces.

1. That a Number of Land Forces, not exceeding 155,403, all ranks, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* at Home and Abroad, excluding Her Majesty's *Indian* Possessions, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Pay, Allowances, &c.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,003,000 be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Pay, Allowances, and other Charges of Her Majesty's Army at Home and Abroad (exclusive of *India*) (General Staff, Regiments, Reserve, and Departments), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Resolution which, upon the 13th day of this instant March, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which was then agreed to by the House, be now read; and the same was read as followeth:

That 88,850 men and boys be employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, including 15,505 Royal Marines.

Army (Annual) Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide, during Twelve Months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army: And that Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman*, Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth*, and Mr. *Woodall* do prepare, and bring it in.

Army (Annual) Bill. Bill 171.

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* accordingly presented a Bill to provide, during Twelve Months, for the Discipline and Regulation of the Army: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works [Consolidated Fund.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Naval Works (Consolidated Fund).

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to make provision for the construction of works and acquisition of land in the United Kingdom, and in certain Colonies, for the purposes of the Royal Navy, and to authorise the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of any sums not exceeding in the whole £. 1,000,000 for such purposes.

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to borrow, for the purpsse of providing money for sums to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund, or for the repayment of sums so issued, by means of Terminable Annuities, such annuities to be paid out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for Naval Services; and, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Readiug of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill he read a second time upon Friday next.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fishermen's Voting (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Mortgagees' Costs Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed

resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the Revised International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea, dealing with sound signals in fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers—(Sir *Donald Currie*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Endowed Schools Acts (Sir John Cass's Charity.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to be graciously pleased to withhold Her Consent from the Scheme now before Parliament for the management of the Foundation known as Sir *John Cass*'s Charity, in the Parish of *Aldgate*, and other Parishes—(Sir *Andrew Scoble*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *Andrew Scoble*, Mr. *Howell*:	15.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	83.

So it passed in the Negative.

House of Commons (Vacating of Seats.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the House of Commons (Vacating of Seats), in Session 1894, be referred to the Select Committee on House of Commons (Vacating of Seats).—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith*.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 19*th March*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.*:—

William Hancock and Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Bray, Dalkey, Kingstown, and Blackrock Water Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Bray*, *Dalkey*, *Kingstown*, and *Blackrock* Water Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

A Petition of the *London* County Council, praying that provision may be made in the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill, authorising an alteration of the Tramway in *Trafalgar Road*, *Greenwich*, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

North British Railway Bill.

A Petition of the *North British* Railway Company, praying that provision may be made in the *North British* Railway Bill, authorising the Company to erect Signal Cabins in positions to be approved by the Board of Trade, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourth Report.

Queensland (Immigration.) No. 148.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Queensland* (Immigration), which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant March, be printed.

Navy (Victualling Yard Manufacturing Accounts, 1893-94.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Balance Sheets, showing the Cost of Manufacturing, Provisions, Victualling Stores, and Seamen's Clothing (Hair Beds) at Her Majesty's Home Victualling Yards and *Malta* Yard, for the year 1893–94, as well as Statements showing the Waste and Loss resulting therefrom, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army (Yeomanry.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Further Regulations relating to the Yeomanry Cavalry.

Army Reserve.

Copy of Further Regulations relating to the Army Reserve.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 102.) No. 149.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Launie* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 102, *Aberdeen*, No. 10).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 103.) No. 150.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Cowe* and *Clerihew* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 103, *Aberdeen*, No. 11.)

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 104.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Stuart* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 104, *Aberdeen*, No. 12.)

No. 151. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 105.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the Bequest of the Reverend *William Anderson* (Ordinance, No. 105, *Aberdeen*, No. 13.)

No. 152. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 106.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Wilson* Travelling Fellowship (Ordinance, No. 106, *Aberdeen*, No. 14.)

No. 153. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 107.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for King *William* Scholarship (Ordinance, No. 107, *Aberdeen*, No. 15.)

No. 154. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 108.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Burnet* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 108, *Aberdeen*, No. 16.)

No. 155. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 109.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the *Bruce* and *Fraser* Scholarship (Ordinance, No. 109, *Aberdeen*, No. 17.)

No. 156. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 110.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Findlay* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 110, *Aberdeen*, No. 18.)

No. 157. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 111.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Drum* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 111, *Aberdeen*, No. 19.)

No. 158. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 112.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the *Corbet* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 112, *Aberdeen*, No. 20.)

No. 159. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 113.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Greig* and *Mackintosh* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 113, *Aberdeen*, No. 21.)

No. 160. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 114.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Ruddiman* and *Ninian Bruce* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 114, *Aberdeen*, No. 22.)

No. 161. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 115.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Hutton* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 115, *Aberdeen*, No. 23.)

No. 162. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 116.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Campbell* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 116, *Aberdeen*, No. 24.)

No. 163. Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 117.)

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Fullerton* Foundation (Ordinance, No, 117, *Aberdeen*, No. 25.)

No. 164.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Life Assurance Companies.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of Accounts and of Life Assurance and Annuity Business, and Abstracts of Actuarial Reports deposited with the Board of Trade, under the Life Assurance Companies Act, 1870, for the year ended 31st December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1498.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Fiji (Natives.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Affairs of *Fiji* and the Native Population (in continuation of [C. 5039] April 1887).

Gold Coast.

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Additional Instructions passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet to the Governor and Commander in Chief of the *Gold Coast* Colony, making fresh provision as to the Executive and Legislative Councils.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Pistols Bill. Law, &c.

Sir *George Osborne Morgan* reported from the Standing Committee on Law, Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, to whom the Pistols Bill was committed; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 165.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bill 172.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

Sir *Theodore Fry* reported from the Committee on the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

North Middlesex Gas Bill.

Sir *James Kitson* reported the North *Middlesex* Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Chartered Accountants Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Sittings of the House (Exemption from the Standing Order.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings of the Committee of Supply, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order Sittings of the House.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Trusts Administration.

Ordered, That Mr. *Heneage* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Trusts Administration.

Ordered, That Mr. *Greene* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

The

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1895–96.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge for the Ordnance Factories (the Cost of the Productions of which will be charged to the Army, Navy, and *Indian* and Colonial Governments), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896 :—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Army Estimates (Supplementary), 1894–95.

1. £.100 (Supplementary Sum), for the Ordnance Factories (the Cost of the Productions of which will be charged to the Army, Navy, and *Indian* and Colonial Governments), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimates, 1894-95).

Class V.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.29,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of *Cyprus* :

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 28,900, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Labouchere*) :—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put ;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur* :	246.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *William Allen* :	29.

Class VI.

3. £.24,000 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for Superannuation, Retired and Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities.

Class VII.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.14,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and other Expenses of Temporary Commissions and Committees, including Special Inquiries :

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item M. (Agricultural Commission), be reduced by £. 100—(Major *Rasch*) ;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Major *Rasch*, Colonel *Lockwood* ;	26.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur* ;	115.

Original Question again proposed.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item P. (Commissions not specially provided for), be reduced by £.100—(Sir *Richard Temple*) ;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *Richard Temple*, Mr. *Hanbury* ;	43.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur* :	134.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Revenue Departments.

5. £.8,500 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department.

Class IV.

6. £.90 (Supplementary Sum), year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Cost of Purchase of Portraits for the National Portrait Gallery.

Navy Excesses, 1893–94.

7. £.49,519. 9*s*. 2*d*. to make good the Excess of Net Expenditure beyond the ordinary Navy Grants for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1894.

Army Estimates, 1895–96.

8. Motion made, aud Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Ordnance Factories (the Cost of the Productions of which will be charged to the Army, Navy, and *Indian* and Colonial Governments), which will come in course of Payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896 ;

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Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Consolidated Fund.

1. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the years ending on the 31st day of March 1894 and 1895, the Sum of £.551,909. 9*s*. 2*d*. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

Consolidated Fund.

2. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, the Sum of £.10,136,600 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will. this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Factories and Workshop Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories and Workshops Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Supply [18th March] Report.

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

Seamen and Marines (Wages.)

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.4,133,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Wages, &c. to Officers, Seamen and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Navy Estimates (Supplementary), 1894–95.

Navy Services (Supplementary.)

2. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £.200,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for additional Expenditure on the following Navy Services, *viz.*:—

	£.
Vote 8. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c.:—	
Sec. 1. Personnel - - - - -	26,000
Sec. 2. Materiel - - - - -	158,000
Vote 10. Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad - - - - -	16,000
Total - - -	£.200,000

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Army (Annual) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Army (Annual) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Naval Works [Consolidated Fund.]

Mr. *Robertson* reported from the Committee on Naval Works [Consolidated Fund], several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

That it is expedient to make provision for the Construction of Works and Acquisition of Land in the United Kingdom, and in certain Colonies, for the purposes of the Royal Navy, and to authorise the Issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of any Sums not exceeding in the whole £.1,000,000 for such purposes.

That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to borrow, for the purpose of providing Money for Sums to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund, or for the Repayment of Sums so issued, by means of Terminable Annuities, such Annuities to be paid out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament for Naval Services; and, if those Moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Naval Works.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Mellor*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth*, and Mr. *Edmund Robertson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Naval Works Bill.

Bill 173.

Mr. *Edmund Robertson* accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for the Construction of Works in the United Kingdom and elsewhere, for the purpose of the Royal Navy, and to amend the Law relating to the Acquisition of Land for Naval purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Food Products Adulteration.

Ordered, That Colonel *Warde* be discharged from further Attendance on the Select Committee on Food Products Adulteration.

Ordered, That Mr. *Newdigate* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Smaller Dwellings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fishermen's Voting (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 5, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 174

The Larceny Act Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 175.

The Perjury Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 20*th March*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

THE *London* and North Western Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourth Report.

Navy (Victualling Yard Manufacturing Accounts, 1893-94.) No. 166.

Ordered, That the Navy (Victualling Yard Manufacturing Accounts, 1893-94), which were presented upon the 19th day of this instant March, be printed.

Life Assurance Companies. No. 167.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Life Assurance Companies, which were presented upon the 19th day of this instant March, be printed.

National Debt Annuities.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Account of the Gross Amount of all Bank Annuities, and any Annuities for Terms of Years transferred, and of all Sums of Money paid to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt; and the Gross Amount of Annuities for Lives, and for Terms of Years which have been granted for the same, and Contracts for Payments on Death which have been made, under the provisions of the Acts 10 *Geo.* 4, c. 24, 51 & 52 *Vic.* c. 15, 16 & 17 *Vic.* c. 45, 27 & 28 *Vic.* c. 43, 45 & 46 *Vic.* c. 51, and 50 & 51 *Vic.* c. 40, within the year ended 5th January 1895.

Foreshores.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 13th March 1895, directing the Application of Moneys received by the Board of Trade from 1st April 1893 to 31st March 1894, in respect of the Rights and Interests of the Crown in the Foreshores of the United Kingdom.

Public Accounts (Army Votes.)

Sir *John Hibbert* also presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House, dated 4th March 1879, —Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 12th March 1895, under Section 4 of "The Appropriation Act, 1894," authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Army Votes for the year 1894–95, to meet Excesses on certain other Army Votes for the same year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Proposed Works.)

Mr. *Edmund Robertson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement of proposed Naval Works.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Statute Law Revision Bills, &c.

The House was moved, That the Message from the Lords of the 18th day of this instant March, which communicates to this House the following Resolution, *viz.*: "That it is desirable that all Statute Law Revision Bills and Consolidation Bills of the present Session be referred to a Joint Commitee of both Houses of Parliament," to which Resolution the Lords desire the concurrence of this House, might be read; and the same being read;

The House proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Lords in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them, That this House doth concur with their Lordships in the Resolution communicated to this House in their Lordships' Message of the 18th day of this instant March, on the subject of Statute Law Revision Bills, &c., as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill.

The Municipal Franchise (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure.

Justices of the Peace Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *Grant Lawson.*)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Luttrell*, Mr. *Alpheus Morton*:	201.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *Henry Fletcher*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*:	163.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Old Age Provident Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Old Age Provident Pensions Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Beer Adulteration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next.

Outdoor Provident Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Outdoor Provident Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Mines (Eight Hours) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of this instant March.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Special Juries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Special Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the Revised International Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea, dealing with sound signals in fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers—(Sir *Donald Currie*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Pistols Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Pistols Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Supply [19th March] Report.

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Army Estimates (Supplementary), 1894–95.

Ordnance Factories (Supplementary.)

1. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Ordnance Factories (the Cost of the Productions of which will be charged to the Army, Navy, and *Indian* and Colonial Governments), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895.

Civil

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimates), 1894–95.

Class V.

Cyprus (Grant in Aid.)

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of *Cyprus*.

Class VI.

Superannuations (Supplementary.)

3. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 24,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for Superannuation, Retired, and Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities.

Class VII.

Temporary Commissions (Supplementary.)

4. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 14,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and other Expenses of Temporary Commissions and Committees, including Special Inquiries.

Revenue Departments.

Inland Revenue Department (Supplementary.)

5. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 8,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department.

Class IV.

National Portrait Gallery (Supplementary.)

6. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 90, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1895, for the Cost of Purchase of Portraits for the National Portrait Gallery.

Navy Excesses, 1893–94.

Navy (Excesses.)

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 49,519. 9 *s.* 2 *d.*, be granted to Her Majesty, to make good the Excess of Net Expenditure beyond the ordinary Navy Grants for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1894.

Army Estimates, 1895–96.

Ordnance Factories.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Ordnance Factories (the Cost of the Productions of which will be charged to the Army, Navy, and *Indian* and Colonial Governments), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means [19th March] Report.

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Consolidated Fund.

1. That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the years ending on the 31st day of March 1894 and 1895, the Sum of £. 551,909. 9 *s.* 2 *d.* be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

Consolidated Fund.

2. That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, the Sum of £. 10,136,600, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1.)

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Mellor*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain Sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the years ending on the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, and One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Smaller Dwellings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill, be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Leake* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on the Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Edwards* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Weights and Measures.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fenwick* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Weights and Measures.

Ordered, That Mr. *Woods* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Public Petitions (Third Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, and 18th days of this instant March,

March, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Great Northern Railway Bill.

Mr. *Roby* reported from the Committee on the Great Northern Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 3.)

Sir *Theodore Fry* reported from the Committee on Group 3 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Friday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 21*st March*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

East Indian Railway Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the *East Indian* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Newmarket Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Newmarket* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

North Staffordshire Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the North *Staffordshire* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Rural Sanitary District of *Dunmanway*: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill. Bill 176.

Mr. *John Morley* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Rural Sanitary District of *Dunmanway*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourth Report.

National Debt Annuities. No. 168.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the National Debt Annuities, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant March, be printed.

Public Accounts (Army Votes.) No. 169.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Public Accounts (Army Votes), which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant March, be printed.

East India (Disbursements of Home Treasury.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *East India* (Disbursements of Home Treasury).

East India (Cotton Manufactures) (Import Duties.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *East India* (Cotton Manufactures) (Import Duties).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

American Mail Service.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented,—Return to an Order dated the 14th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to the *American* Mail Service.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Highlands and Islands of Scotland (Royal Commission.)

The Lord Advocate presented by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on the Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*, 1892, with Appendices.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 118.) No. 170.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Stuart* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 118, *Edinburgh*, No. 11).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 119.) No. 171.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Patrick* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 119, *Edinburgh*, No. 12).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 120.) No. 172.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Wight*, *M'Call*, and *Christie* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 120, *Edinburgh*, No. 13).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 121.) No. 173.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Grant* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 121, *Edinburgh*, No. 14).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 122.) No. 174.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities *Scotland* Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the *Dalgleish* and *M'Morran* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 122, *Edinburgh*, No. 15).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 123.) No. 175.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Buchanan* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 123, *Edinburgh*, No. 16).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 124.) No. 176.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Gray* Scholarship (Ordinance, No. 124, *Edinburgh*, No. 17).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 125.) No. 177.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Macpherson* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 125, *Edinburgh*. No. 18).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 126.) No. 178.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Weir* and *Jenkins* and *Hepburn* and *Lightbody* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 126, *Edinburgh*, No. 19).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 127.) No. 179.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Trotter* and *Penman* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 127, *Edinburgh*, No. 20).

Copy

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 Ordinance, No. 128.) No. 180.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Pringle* and *Wardrop* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 128, *Edinburgh*, No. 21).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 129.) No. 181.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Mitchell* and *Shortt* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 129, *Edinburgh*, No. 22).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, Ordinances Nos. 118 to 129, be printed.

Explosions (Ardeer, County Ayr.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State by Captain *J. H. Thompson*, R.A., Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives, on the circumstances attending an Explosion at the Dynamite Factory of *Nobel's* Explosives Company (Limited), at *Ardeer*, near *Stevenston*, in the County of *Ayr*, on 5th January 1895.

Tithe Commutation Maps (Fees for Inspection.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of February last, for a Return relative to Tithe Commutation Maps (Fees for Inspection).

Police (Counties and Boroughs.) No. 182.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Reports of the Inspectors of Constabulary for the year ending 29th September 1894, made to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State, under the provisions of the Statute 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 69.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Police (Counties and Boroughs) be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports of Trade and Finance, No. 1499.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Joint Stock Companies No. 183.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Returns of the Names, Objects, or Business, Places where Business is or was conducted, Date of Registration, Number of Persons who signed the Memorandum of Association, Total Number of Shares taken up by such Subscribers, Nominal Capital, Number of Shares into which it is divided, Number of Shares taken up, Amount of Calls made on each Share, and the Total Amount of Calls received of all Joint Stock Companies formed since the 1st day of January 1894, to the 31st day of December 1894, inclusive, distinguishing whether the Companies are Limited or Unlimited, and also the Number of Shareholders in each of the said Companies at the Date of the last Return, and whether still in operation or being wound up:——Of the Total Number having their Registered Offices in the City of *London* or within five miles of the General Post Office:——And, of the Total Number and the Paid-up Capital of all Registered Companies which are believed to be carrying on Business at the present time.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Great Eastern Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Great Eastern Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Scarborough Gas Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Scarborough* Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee; and found the same as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

London (Boundary Street, Bethnal Green) Provisional Order Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *London* (*Boundary Street, Bethnal Green*) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Standing Committees (Chairmen's Panel.)

Sir *Matthew White Ridley* reported from the Chairmen's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, in the place of Sir *George Osborne Morgan*. Law, &c.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Lunatic Asylums.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return relating to Lunatic Asylums for a Quinquennial period, instead of a Decennial period as heretofore (in continuation of the Return ordered by the House of Commons to be printed 6th April 1888, and in the same Form and under the same Headings.—(Dr. *Kenny*.)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth;

Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for empowering the *Brecon* and *Merthyr Tydfil* Junction Railway Company to raise further Money, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Brecon* and *Merthyr* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, To-morrow, on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And,

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Friday, 22nd March, 1895:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day at Two of the clock.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day, at Two of the clock.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant March, That the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill be now read a second time:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of April next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the Revised International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea, dealing with sound signals in fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers—(Sir *Donald Currie*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill, be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 22nd March, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable *viz.*:—

American Mortgage Company of *Scotland* Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

London (Boundary Street, Bethnal Green) Provisional Order Bill.

The *London* (*Boundary Street, Bethnal Green*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

A Petition of the *Bridlington* and *Quay* Water Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Bridlington* and *Quay* Water Bill, enabling the *Bridlington* Urban District Council to purchase the Undertaking for supplying the Townships and Parishes of *Bridlington, Bessingby, Hilderthorpe, Easton* and *Sewerby-cum-Marton* with Water, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourth Report.

American Mail Service. No. 184.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *American* Mail Service, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant March, be printed.

Clergy (West Indies.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return of the Amount payable on the 5th January 1895, out of the Consolidated Fund, for Ecclesiastical purposes in the *West Indies*, and of the appropriation of it to different Islands and Persons therein, with their respective Offices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Railway Accidents.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Returns of Accidents and Casualties as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the year ending 31st December 1894, together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Police Act, 1890.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Correspondence relative to the refusal of the Certificate of the Secretary of State, under Section 17 (2) of the Police Act, 1890, to River *Tyne* Police Force for the year ended 29th September 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Waterford Infirmary (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Establishment of a Public Infirmary for the County of *Waterford* and the County of the City of *Waterford*, and for appropriating the Leper Hospital of *Saint Stephen's* for the purposes thereof, and for other purposes connected therewith: And that Mr. *John Redmond*, Mr. *Clancy*, Mr. *Ross*, and Dr. *Kenny* do prepare, and bring it in.

Waterford Infirmary (No. 2) Bill. Bill 177.

Mr. *John Redmond* accordingly presented a Bill for the Establishment of a Public Infirmary for the County of *Waterford* and the County of the City of *Waterford*, and for appropriating the Leper Hospital of *Saint Stephen's* for the purposes thereof, and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of April next; and to be printed.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 4, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 21st day of this instant March, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill be now read a second time; and which Amendment was to leave out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day six months"—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*);

And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And, it being ten minutes to Seven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Outdoor Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of February last, That the Plumbers' Registration Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Documentary Evidence Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to apply the Documentary Evidence Acts to the Board of Agriculture; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bristol Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the granting of further powers to the

Bristol Waterworks Company, and for other purposes, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Statute Law Revision Bills, &c.

The Lords have appointed a Committee of Six Lords, to join with a Committee of this House, to consider all Statute Law Revision Bills and Consolidation Bills of the present Session; and request this House to appoint an equal number of its Members to be joined with the said Lords.

Bristol Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Bristol* Water Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Selection (Standing Committees.)

Law, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure:—Sir *Walter Foster*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Seale-Hayne*.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure the following Fifteen Members, in respect of the Municipal Franchise (*Ireland*) Bill:—Mr. *Arthur Balfour*, Mr. *Barton*, Mr. *Carvill*, Mr. *T. B. Curran*, Mr. *Field*, Mr. *Harrington*, Mr. *William Kenny*, Sir *Thomas Lea*, Mr. *Macartney*, Mr. *O'Keefe*, Mr. *Pinkerton*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Sexton*, and Mr. *T. D. Sullivan*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Aberdeen Harbour Bill.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Sir *James Kitson* reported the *Aberdeen* Harbour Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

North Eastern Railway Bill.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Roby* reported the North Eastern Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Evening Sitting.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Payment of Members.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "as the principle of gratuitous "public service, upon which the representation "of this House is at present based, limits the "freedom of constituencies in the selection of "their representatives, this House is of opinion "that a reasonable allowance should forthwith "be granted to all Members of Parliament"—(Mr. *William Allen*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *Stafford Northcote*, Mr. *Cohen*:	158.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *William Allen*, Mr. *Fenwick*:	176.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

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And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added;

And, it being after Midnight, and Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business.

Whereupon Mr. *William Allen* rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words "as the principle of gratuitous public "service, upon which the representation of this "House is at present based, limits the freedom "of constituencies in the selection of their repre-"sentatives, this House is of opinion that a "reasonable allowance should forthwith be "granted to all Members of Parliament," be added after the word "That," in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That, as the principle of gratuitous public service, upon which the representation of this House is at present based, limits the freedom of constituencies in the selection of their representatives, this House is of opinion that a reasonable allowance should forthwith be granted to all Members of Parliament.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fishermen's Voting (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of April next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Parliamentary Papers Distribution.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in superintending the form and regulating the Distribution of Parliamentary Papers.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Causton*, Mr. *Cavendish*, Mr. *Edwards*, Mr. *Hayes Fisher*, Mr. *Flynn*, Mr. *Howell*, Sir *Herbert Maxwell*, and Mr. *Francis Stevenson*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Causton*.)

Courts of Law Fees (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Regulation of Fees payable in the Courts of Law in *Scotland*: And that the Lord Advocate, Sir *George Trevelyan*, and Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Courts of Law Fees (Scotland) Bill. Bill 178.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the Regulation of Fees payable in the Courts of Law in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 25th March, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order, No. 62, has been complied with, *viz.*:

Central *Ireland* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:

Brecon and *Merthyr* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills (Petitions for additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Reports from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petitions for additional Provision in the following Bills, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz*:

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

North British Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Reports be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

East Indian Railway Bill.

The *East Indian* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Newmarket Gas Bill.

The *Newmarket* Gas Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

North Staffordshire Railway Bill.

The North *Staffordshire* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Agricultural Company of Mauritius Bill [*Lords*.]

The Agricultural Company of *Mauritius* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Credit Foncier of Mauritius Bill [*Lords*.]

The Credit Foncier of *Mauritius* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Edinburgh Merchant Company Endowments Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Edinburgh* Merchant Company Endowments Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London Street Tramways Bill [*Lords.*]

The *London* Street Tramways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

William Hancock and Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The *William Hancock* and Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fourth Report.

Aged Poor (Royal Commission.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on the Aged Poor; with Minutes of Evidence, Appendix, and Index.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Intermediate Education Board for *Ireland*, for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Standing Committee. Trade, &c.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, have leave to make a Special Report.

Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, to whom the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill and the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill were referred; That they had agreed to the following Special Report:

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill and Market Gardeners' Compensation (No 2) Bill. (Special Report.)

The Committee having carefully considered the merits of both the Bills referred to them, decided to adopt the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill as a basis for their proceedings, and to report the remaining Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

Sir *Julian Goldsmid* further reported from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, to whom the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill.

Sir *Julian Goldsmid* further reported from the said Standing Committee; That they had agreed to report the Market Gardeners' Compensation (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Bill 179.

Ordered, That the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

No. 185.

Ordered, That the Special Report and other Reports do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Bray Township Improvement Bill.

Sir *James Kitson* reported from the Committee on the *Bray* Township Improvement Bill; That they had examined the allegations in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and had found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made further Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Electric Lighting (Southwark Bridge Explosions.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report of Inquiry held by Major *Cardew*, R.E., by order of the Board of Trade, into the Circumstances connected with a Series of Explosions which occurred on the 1st day of February 1895 on *Southwark* Bridge.

No. 186.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Waterford Infirmary (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *Waterford* Infirmary (No. 2) Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.—(Mr. *John Redmond.*)

London Local Elections (Vestrymen.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Official Expenses in connection with the Elections of Vestrymen and Auditors in *London*, in December 1894, in the following Form:—

Parish.	Number of Parochial Electors.	Number of Polling Stations.	Hire of Rooms for Polling Stations.	Construction of Polling Stations.	Purchase of Ballot Boxes.	Hire of Ballot Boxes.	Ballot Papers.	Stationery.	Stamping Instruments.	Copies of Register.	Presiding Officers.	Polling Clerks.	Counting Clerks.	Conveyance of Ballot Boxes.	Fees to Returning Officer and to any Deputy Returning Officer.	Any other Expenses.	Total.
				£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	

—(Mr. *James Rowlands.*)

London Local Elections (Guardians.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Official Expenses in connection with the Elections of Guardians in London in December 1894, in the following Form:—

Union.	Number of Parochial Electors.	Number of Polling Stations.	Hire of Rooms for Polling Stations.	Construction of Polling Stations.	Purchase of Ballot Boxes.	Hire of Ballot Boxes.	Ballot Papers.	Stationery.	Stamping Instruments.	Copies of Register.	Presiding Officers.	Polling Clerks.	Counting Clerks.	Conveyance of Ballot Boxes.	Fees to Returning Officer and to any Deputy Returning Officer.	Any other Expenses.	Total.
				£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	

—(Mr. *James Rowlands.*)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:—

Australian Colonies Customs Duties Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Australian* Colonies Customs Duties Bill, without Amendment.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law of Distress Amendment Act, 1888; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Heriot's Trust Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the Governors of *George Heriot*'s Trust to construct new Streets and Works in the City of *Edinburgh* and Burgh of *Leith*; to alter certain feuing plans, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Crystal Palace Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision with respect to the Capital of the *Crystal Palace* Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Heriot's Trust Bill [*Lords.*]

Heriot's Trust Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The

Crystal Palace Company Bill [Lords.]

The *Crystal Palace* Company Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 10th day of April next, the Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Channel Islands Children.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling Children to be sent from the *Channel Islands* to Reformatory or Industrial Schools in *Great Britain:* And that Mr. *George Russell* and Mr. Secretary *Asquith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Supreme Court (Officers.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend certain provisions of the Law with respect to Officers of the Supreme Court: And that Mr. Secretary *Asquith* and Mr. *George Russell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Channel Islands Children) Bill. Bill 180.

Mr. *George Russell* presented a Bill for enabling Children to be sent from the *Channel Islands* to Reformatory or Industrial Schools in *Great Britain:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill. Bill 181.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented a Bill to amend certain provisions of the Law with respect to Officers of the Supreme Court: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 21st day of this instant March, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, to leave out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day "six months"—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*);

And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 26*th March*, 1895.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories and Workshops Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Army (Annual) Bill.

The Army (Annual) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Perjury Bill [Lords.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perjury Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant March, That the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Architects' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Architects' Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of April next.

Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next.

Joint Stock Companies' Register Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Joint Stock Companies' Register Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of April next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of April next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of April next.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 27th day of February last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the Revised International Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea, dealing with Sound Signals in Fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers—(Sir *Donald Currie*);

And which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "raised," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "Order in "Council of the 30th day of January 1893 "relative to the fixing and screening of ships' "side-lights, and to the adoption by Order in "Council of the sound signals prescribed by "Article 15 and Article 28 of the Revised "Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea, "as set forth in the Board of Trade Circular to "Shipowners of 6th March 1894"—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*);

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being proposed;

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "(including any objections which may "be taken to that Rule having regard to the "sound signals prescribed by Rule 28").—(Mr. *Stephen Williamson*).

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the objections which have been raised to the adoption by Order in Council of Rule 15 of the Revised International Regulations for preventing Collisions at Sea, dealing with Sound Signals in Fog, as suggested by the *Washington* Conference, and considered by the Maritime Powers (including any objections which may be taken to that Rule having regard to the Sound Signals prescribed by Rule 28).

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 2nd day of April next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill, be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 26th March, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.*:—

Bristol Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills (Petition for additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Bridlington and *Quay* Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Great Eastern Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Great Eastern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of April next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifth Report.

East India (Disbursements of Home Treasury.) No. 193.

Ordered, That the Return relative *East India* (Disbursements of Home Treasury), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant March, be printed.

Tithe Commutation Maps (Fees for Inspection.) No. 187.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Tithe Commutation Maps (Fees for Inspection), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant March, be printed.

Army (Clothing Factory.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Accounts of the Royal Army Clothing Factory for the year 1893–94, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 130.) No. 188.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Arrangements as to Sites of Classes (Ordinance, No. 130, *Aberdeen*, No. 26.)

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 131.) No. 189.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Reserve Fund of *Saint Mary's* College (Ordinance, No. 131, *Saint Andrew's*, No. 19.)

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 132.) No. 190.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for Degrees in Science in Agriculture (Ordinance, No. 132, *Aberdeen*, No. 27.)

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 133.) No. 191.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for Degrees in Science in Engineering (Ordinance, No. 133, *Saint Andrew's*, No. 20.)

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 134.) No. 192.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities *Scotland* Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for Degrees in Science in Agriculture (Ordinance, No. 134, *Glasgow*, No. 33.)

Ordeed, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Board of Agriculture.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Reports for 1894, of the Board of Agriculture, of Proceedings, under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, Markets and Fairs (Weighing of Cattle) Acts, &c., &c.

Commons Act, 1876 (Castor and Ailsworth Open Fields and Commons.)

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Agriculture under the Commons Act, 1876, upon an application for a Provisional Order for the Inclosure of *Castor* and *Ailsworth* Open Fields and Commons.

Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

Copy of Order made under "The Diseases of Animals Act, 1894," dated 18th March 1895, entitled, The Foreign Animals Order of 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Divorces (Foreign Countries and British Colonies) (Miscellaneous, No. 4, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 30th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Number of Divorces granted in each of the *British* Colonies and Possessions, and in each of the principal Foreign Countries, together with the Population, in each year during the past ten years.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group A.)

Mr. *de Tatton Egerton* reported from the Committee on Group A. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee has adjourned till Thursday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

London Municipalities Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the *London* Municipalities Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Employers' Liability Act, 1880.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Number of Cases tried in County Courts in 1892, 1893, and 1894; the Amount of Compensation claimed; the Amount awarded; the Number of Cases in which Application has been made

made to remove the Case for the trial from the County Court to the Superior Court; the Number of Cases in which the Application has been granted; and the ground of Application in those Cases in which it has been granted (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 357, of Session 1892).—(Mr. *Provand.*)

Documentary Evidence Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 182.

The Documentary Evidence Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 183.

The Distress Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Whitby Water Bill.

Sir *James Kitson* reported from the Committee on the *Whitby* Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Great Southern and Western Railway Bill.

Mr. *Melbor* reported from the Committee on the Great Southern and Western Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill. and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools.

1. That, in the case of the Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools, Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for a Bill.

Croydon Corporation Bill.

2. That, in the case of the *Croydon* Corporation Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to amend the Law relating to the Taxation of Costs under the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ambleside Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the transfer of the Undertaking of the *Ambleside* District Gas and Water Company (Limited) to the *Ambleside* Urban District Council, and to confer further Powers on the said Council with respect to the Supply of Gas and Water, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

New Russia Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to alter the Capital of the New *Russia* Company (Limited), and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill, without Amendment.

Ambleside Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Ambleside* Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

New Russia Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The New *Russia* Company Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Enfranchisement of the Sites of Leasehold Places of Worship: And that Mr. *Samuel Evans*, Mr. *Lloyd Morgan*, Mr. *Bryn Roberts*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *David Randell*, and Mr. *Brynmor Jones* do prepare, and bring it in.

Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill. Bill 184.

Mr. *Samuel Evans* accordingly presented a Bill for the Enfranchisement of the Sites of Leasehold Places of Worship: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of April next; and to be printed.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 21st day of this instant March, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill be now read a second time; and which Amendment was to leave out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day six months"—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*);

And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Statute Law Revision Bills, &c.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Message from the Lords of the 22nd day of this instant March, wherein their Lordships acquaint the House, That they have appinted a Committee of Six Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons, to consider all Statute Law Revision Bills and Consolidation Bills of the present Session, and request that the Commons will be pleased to appoint an equal number of Members to be joined with the said Lords.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Six Members be appointed to join with the Committee appointed by the House of Lords, as mentioned in their Lordships' Message of the 22nd day of this instant March, to consider all Statute Law Revision Bills and Consolidation Bills of the present Session.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Ambrose*, Sir *Edward Clarke*, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Howell*, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. *Tomlinson*.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint their Lordships, that this House has appointed

appointed a Select Committee of Six Members to join with the Committee appointed by the House of Lords, as mentioned in their Lordships' Message of the 22nd day of this instant March, to consider all Statute Law Revision Bills and Consolidation Bills of the present Session: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

Metropolis Management (Saint Paul, Deptford) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolis Management (*Saint Paul, Deptford*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

National Assemblies and Imperial Federation Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next, the National Assemblies and Imperial Federation Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 27th March, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Great Northern Railway Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Northern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

American Mortgage Company of Scotland Bill [*Lords.*]

The *American* Mortgage Company of *Scotland* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Metropolitan Gas Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the South Metropolitan Gas Bill, that they have power, if they think fit, to insert a Clause or Clauses to provide that,—Subject to the regulations set forth in the First Schedule to this Act, the Directors of the Company may at such times as they deem expedient prepare a scheme for the purpose of enabling persons in the employ of the Company and holding ordinary stock to elect a representative or representatives to take part with the directors in the management of the Company, and may submit the scheme to a special general meeting of the Company duly called with notice of the business to be considered thereat, and the meeting may adopt the scheme either without alteration or with such alterations (not being inconsistent with the said regulations) as the Directors may assent to; and the scheme so adopted shall be submitted for the approval of the Board of Trade, and that Board may consider the same, and may either approve the same without alteration or may suggest any alterations therein not being inconsistent with the said regulations; and if the directors assent to the alterations (if any) so suggested, the Board of Trade may approve the scheme as altered. That the scheme when approved be published in the "*London Gazette*," and from the date of such publication have during the period prescribed in the scheme full force and effect—(Mr. *Mundella*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the third word "Company" to the end of the Question.—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the South Metropolitan Gas Bill, that they have power, if they think fit, to insert a Clause or Clauses to provide that,—Subject to the regulations set forth in the First Schedule to this Act, the directors of the Company may at such times as they deem expedient prepare a scheme for the purpose of enabling persons in the employ of the Company and holding ordinary stock to elect a representative or representatives to take part with the directors in the management of the Company, and may submit the scheme to a special general meeting of the Company duly called with notice of the business to be considered thereat, and the meeting may adopt the scheme either without alteration or with such alterations (not being inconsistent with the said regulations) as the directors may assent to; and the scheme so adopted shall be submitted for the approval of the Board of Trade, and that Board may consider the same, and may either approve the same without alteration or may suggest any alterations therein not being inconsistent with the said regulations; and if the directors assent to the alterations (if any) so suggested, the Board of Trade may approve the scheme as altered. That the scheme when approved be published in the "*London Gazette*," and from the date of such publication have during the period prescribed in the scheme full force and effect.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifth Report. Army (Clothing Factory.)

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Army (Clothing Factory), which were presented upon the 26th day of this instant March, be printed.

No. 194. Commons Act, 1876 (Castor and Ailsworth Open Fields and Commons.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Commons Act, 1876 (*Castor* and *Ailsworth* Open Fields and Commons), which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant March, be printed.

No. 195. Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule made by the Treasury under the Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Act, 1891, for the purposes of the Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Act, 1885.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Irish Lights Board Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Irish* Lights Board Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Marquess of *Carmarthen*.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Dr. *Tanner*, Captain *Donelan*:	76.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	193.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day six months.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House, whilst recognising "the desirability of amending and rendering more "effective the Public Health (*Scotland*) Act, 1867, "considers it undesirable to legislate on this sub-"ject without conferring the benefits equally on "all classes of the community"—(Mr. *Renshaw*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Land Tenure (England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Tenure (*England*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Church of Scotland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of *Scotland* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next.

Parliamentary Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Corporate Associations Property Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next.

School Board for London Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of April next.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next.

Criminal Law Procedure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law Procedure Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Old Age Provident Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Old Age Provident Pensions Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Out-door Provident Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Provident Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of April next.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Special Juries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Special Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Smaller Dwellings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of April next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 24th day of April next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of April next.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of April next.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of April next.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act, 1877: And that Mr. *Maurice Healy* and Mr. *William Kenny* do prepare, and bring it in.

Fisheries Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Fisheries Acts: And that Mr. *Bryce* and Mr. *Burt* do prepare, and bring it in.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.
Bill 185.

Mr. *Maurice Healy* presented a Bill to amend the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act, 1877: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.
Bill 186.

Mr. *Bryce* presented a Bill to amend the Fisheries Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Public Petitions (Fourth Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, and 25th days of this instant March, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London and North Western Railway Bill.
Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Roby* reported the *London* and North Western Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 28th March, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

City and South London Railway Bill.
Vide Supplement to the Votes.

MR. *Mellor* reported the City and South *London* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

York New Water Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *York* New Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

British Gaslight Company (Staffordshire Potteries) Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *British* Gaslight Company (*Staffordshire* Potteries) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Brymbo Water Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Brymbo* Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.
Vide Fifth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts.
No. 196.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Acts, which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant March, be printed.

Medical Councils.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Returns of Receipts and Expenditure of the General Medical Council, and of the Branch Councils for *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*; and Apportionment of the Amounts payable to the General Council by Branch Councils; also, Returns of Receipts and Expenditure of the Dental Registration Fund of the General Medical Council for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Public Accounts (Navy Votes.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House, dated 4th March 1879,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 23rd March 1895, under Section 4 of "The Appropriation Act, 1894," authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year 1894–95, to meet Excesses on certain other Navy Votes of the same year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Newfoundland (Financial Crisis.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the Financial Crisis in *Newfoundland*, in continuation of Sessional Paper, No. 104.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Shipbuilding Programme, 1889-90.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return arranged under the Heads given on page 3 of the Memorandum of the Secretary of the Admiralty, dated the 8th day of March 1889 (Parliamentary Paper, No. 67, of Session 1889), revised by Memorandum of the 2nd day of April 1892 (Parliamentary Paper, No. 133, of Session 1892), giving—

1st. In regard to the 38 Ships intended by the New Programme to be built in Her Majesty's Dockyards, in Italics, in comparison with the Estimated Expenditure therein shown, the Actual Expenditure under each Head for each of the years therein contained, giving also with reference to the anticipated difference of £.3,054,000, therein said to be available "for laying down new Vessels, or in reducing the Estimates for the years 1892–93

1892–93 and 1893–94," information as to what Sums were applied to either of these two purposes respectively :—

		1889–90.	1890–91.	1891–92.	1892–93.	1893–94.	Total.
		£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.
Vote 8.							
Amount appropriated to New Construction - -	Estimated	2,650,000	2,650,000	2,650,000	2,650,000	2,650,000	13,250,000
	Actual						
Less, — Amount required to complete Ships in progress -	Estimated	1,290,000	256,000	—	—	—	1,546,000
	Actual						
Amount available for New Programme - - -	Estimated	1,360,000	2,394,000	2,650,000	2,650,000	2,650,000	11,704,000
	Actual						
Vote 9.							
Ordnance Amount appropriated for Armaments of New Vessels - -	Estimated	450,000	600,000	600,000	600,000	600,000	2,850,000
	Actual						
TOTAL - - -	Estimated	1,810,000	2,994,000	3,250,000	3,250,000	3,250,000	14,554,000
	Actual						
Estimated Expenditure on New Programme, including Ordnance and Warlike Stores - - -	Estimated	1,810,000	2,940,000	3,160,000	2,250,000	1,340,000	11,500,000
	Actual						
Difference	Estimated £. 3,054,000						
	Actual						

The difference between the amounts available for New Construction, &c., viz., £. 14,554,000, and the sums required to complete the New Programme, viz., £. 11,500,000, can be either utilised in laying down New Vessels, or in reducing the Estimates for the years 1892–93, 1893–94.

2nd. In regard to the 32 Ships included in the New Programme, to be constructed by Contract, similar information in Italics as to the Actual Expenditure on the services therein referred to in comparison with the Estimated Expenditure:—

		1889–90.	1890–91.	1891–92.	1892–93.	1893–94.	1894–95.	1895–96.	Total.
		£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.
Amount available out of the proposed Naval Defence Account -	Estimated	1,428,000	1,428,000	1,428,000	1,428,000	1,428,000	1,428,000	1,432,000	10,000,000
	Actual								
Estimated Expenditure	Estimated	2,845,000	4,415,000	1,900,000	740,000	100,000	—	—	10,000,000
	Actual								

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas D. Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow :

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Act, 1895.

Australian Colonies Duties Act, 1895.

South Metropolitan Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee on Group A. of Private Bills have leave to make a Special Report in the case of the South Metropolitan Gas Bill.

Mr. *de Tatton Egerton* reported from the said Committee, who were instructed by Order of the House of the 27th day of this instant March; That in the case of the South Metropolitan Gas Bill it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill that they have power, if they think fit, to insert a clause or clauses to provide that—

Subject to the regulations set forth in the First Schedule to this Act, the directors of the Company may at such times as they deem expedient prepare a scheme for the purpose of enabling persons in the employ of the Company and holding ordinary stock to elect a representative or representatives to take part with the directors in the management of the Company, and may submit the scheme to a special general meeting of the Company duly called with notice of the business to be considered thereat, and the meeting may adopt the scheme either without alteration or with such alterations (not being inconsistent with the said regulations) as the directors may assent to; and the scheme so adopted shall be submitted for the approval of the Board of Trade, and that Board may consider the same, and may either approve the same without alteration or may suggest any alterations therein not being inconsistent with the said regulations; and if the directors assent to the alterations (if any) so suggested, the Board of Trade may approve the scheme as altered.

That the scheme when approved be published in the "*London Gazette*," and from the date of such publication have during the period prescribed in the scheme full force and effect.

[Parties do not proceed.]

That, in the case of the said Bill, they had proceeded to examine the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and had amended the same by striking out so much as related to the conversion of stocks, but that the parties promoting the said Bill had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

(Special Report.)

Mr. *de Tatton Egerton* further reported from the Committee; They they had agreed to the following Special Report: That the Committee considered that the subject of conversion of stocks was one of so far-reaching importance that it ought to be dealt with by a Committee specially appointed to consider the same as affecting Gas and Water Companies.

Ordered, That the Report and the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Private Bills (Group A.)

Mr. *de Tatton Egerton* reported from the Committee on Group A. of Private Bills ; That, there being no business ready for their consideration, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 3.)

Sir *Theodore Fry* reported from the Committee on Group 3 of Railway Bills ; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth :

Convention of Royal Burghs (Scotland) Act (1879) Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Convention of Royal Burghs (*Scotland*) Act (1879) Amendment Bill, with Amendments ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Great Western Railway (No. 2) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Great Western Railway Company to make new Railways in the County of *Denbigh*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the objects of the Legal and General Life Assurance Society, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to incorporate and confer powers on the *Felixstowe* and *Walton* Waterworks Company; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Great Western Railway (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Great Western Railway (No. 2) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill [*Lords.*]

The Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Felixstowe* and *Walton* Water Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895–96 (Vote on Account).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,439,268, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, *viz.* :—

Civil Services.

CLASS I.

	£.
Royal Palaces and *Marlborough* House	5,000
Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens	17,000
Houses of Parliament Buildings	6,000
Admiralty, Extension of Buildings	6,000
Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, *Great Britain*	8,000
Art and Science Buildings, *Great Britain*	6,000
Diplomatic and Consular Buildings	4,000
Revenue Department Buildings	65,000
Public Buildings, *Great Britain*	36,000
Surveys of the United Kingdom	45,000
Harbours, &c. under Board of Trade, and Lighthouses Abroad	3,000
Peterhead Harbour	3,000
Rates on Government Property	114,000
Public Works and Buildings, *Ireland*	40,000
Railways, *Ireland*	3,000

CLASS II.

United Kingdom and *England*:—

House of Lords, Offices	4,000
House of Commons, Offices	5,000
Treasury and Subordinate Departments	15,000
Home Office and Subordinate Departments	16,000
Foreign Office	6,000
Colonial Office	7,000
Privy Council Office and Subordinate Departments	2,500
Board of Trade and Subordinate Departments	25,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid	—
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade	3
Board of Agriculture	35,000
Charity Commission	7,000
Civil Service Commission	7,000
Exchequer and Audit Department	10,000
Friendly Societies, Registry	1,500
Local Government Board	30,000
Lunacy Commission	2,000
Mint (including Coinage)	10
National Debt Office	2,500
Public Record Office	4,000
Public Works Loan Commission	1,500
Registrar General's Office	6,000
Stationery Office and Printing	80,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of	4,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of	8,000
Secret Service	7,000

Scotland:—

Secretary for *Scotland*	2,000
Fishery Board	4,000
Lunacy Commission	1,200
Registrar General's Office	1,000
Local Government Board for *Scotland*	1,500

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household	1,000
Chief Secretary and Subordinate Departments	7,000
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office	400
Local Government Board	10,000
Public Record Office	1,000
Public Works Office	6,000
Registrar General's Office	3,000
Valuation and Boundary Survey	4,000

CLASS III.

United Kingdom and *England*:—

Law Charges	12,000
Miscellaneous Legal Expenses	7,000
Supreme Court of Judicature	55,000
Land Registry	1,200
County Courts	5,000
Police Courts (*London* and *Sheerness*)	1,000
Police, *England* and *Wales*	10,000
Prisons, *England* and the Colonies	100,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, *Great Britain*	70,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum	6,000

Scotland:—

Law Charges and Courts of Law	15,000
Register House, *Edinburgh*	6,000
Crofters' Commission	1,000
Prisons, *Scotland*	15,000

Ireland:—

Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions	12,000
Supreme Court of Judicature and other Legal Departments	20,000
Land Commission	11,000
County Court Officers, &c.	18,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police, &c.	16,000
Constabulary	280,000
Prisons, *Ireland*	20,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools	30,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum	1,500

CLASS IV.

United Kingdom and *England*:—

Public Education, *England* and *Wales*	1,300,000
Science and Art Department, United Kingdom	116,000
British Museum	27,000
National Gallery	3,000
National Portrait Gallery	1,000
Scientific Investigations, &c., United Kingdom	7,000
Universities and Colleges, *Great Britain*, and Intermediate Education, *Wales*	14,000
London University	5

Scotland:—

Public Education	230,000
National Gallery	400

Ireland:—

Public Education	250,000
Endowed Schools Commissioners	250
National Gallery	300
Queen's Colleges	500

CLASS V.

Diplomatic Services and Consular Services	110,000
British Protectorates in *Uganda* and *Central Africa*	10,000
Colonial Services, including *South Africa*	20,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid	—
Slave Trade Services	1,500
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies, &c.	17,500

CLASS VI.

Superannuation and Retired Allowances	135,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions, &c.	3,000
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency	—
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, *Great Britain*	500
Pauper Lunatics, *Ireland*	70,000
Hospitals and Charities, *Ireland*	4,000

CLASS VII.	£.
Temporary Commissions	7,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	500
Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*	6,000
Repayments to the Local Loans Fund	—
Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund	—
Relief of Distress (*Ireland*)	33,000
Total for Civil Services	£. 3,769,268

Revenue Departments.	£
Customs	50,000
Inland Revenue	100,000
Post Office	100,000
Post Office Packet Service	20,000
Post Office Telegraphs	400,000
Total for Revenue Departments	£. 670,000
Grand Total	£. 4,439.268

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item 8, of Class 1, for Revenue Department Buildings, be reduced by £. 500—(Sir *Albert Rollit*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:

Motion for Progress, Chairman declines to put the Question.

Whereupon Sir *Francis Powell* moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item 13, of Class 1, for Rates on Government Property, be reduced by £. 500—(Sir *Albert Rollit*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Cohen*: } 107.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 192.

Original Question again proposed.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item 4, of Class 2, for the Home Office, be reduced by £. 100, in respect of the Salary of the Home Secretary—(Admiral *Field*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item 5, of Class 2, for the Foreign Office, be reduced by £. 1,000—(Sir *Ellis Ashmead Bartlett*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item 6, of Class 2, for the Colonial Office, be reduced by £. 100, in respect of the Salary of the Secretary of State—(Mr. *Arnold-Forster*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Army (Annual) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army (Annual) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

Friday, 29*th March*, 1895:

CLAUSE, N° 2, Army Act (44 and 45 *Vict.* c. 58) to be in force for specified times).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, to leave out the words "thirtieth day of April," in order to insert the words "thirty-first day of May"—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*.)

Question proposed, That the words "thirtieth day of April" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Amendment of 44 and 55 *Vict.* c. 58, s. 136, as to deductions).

Amendment proposed in p. 3, l. 13, before the word "To," to insert the words "Sub-section "(4) of Section 96 of the Army Act is hereby "repealed."—(Mr. *Mallock*).

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 5 to N° 9, agreed to.

Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 7, to leave out the words—

Breakfasts as so specified - - One penny halfpenny each.

—(Colonel *Nolan*.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day, at Two of the clock.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Channel Islands Children) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Reformatory and Industrial Schools (*Channel Islands* Children) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories and Workshops Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Perjury Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Perjury Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant March, That the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill be now read a second time:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Documentary Evidence Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Documentary Evidence Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Distress Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill (as amended in the Standing Committee);

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law respecting Duplicate Entries on Registers of Electors: And that Mr. *J. W. Sidebotham*, Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Barlow*, Mr. *Disraeli*, and Mr. *Mowbray* do prepare, and bring it in.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill. Bill 187.

Mr. *J. W. Sidebotham* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law respecting Duplicate Entries on Registers of Electors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 18th day of April next; and to be printed.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Acts Extension Bill.

The Order for reading a second time this day, the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Acts Extension Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of April next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 29*th March*, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.*:—

Crystal Palace Company Bill.

Heriot's Trust Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifth Report.

Public Accounts (Navy Votes.) No. 197.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Public Accounts (Navy Votes), which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant March, be printed.

Education (School Boards, &c.) (England and Wales)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of School Boards and School Attendance Committees in *England* and *Wales*, 1st April 1895.

Education Department (Code, 1895) (Modifications.)

Copy of Minute of 29th March 1895 by the Committee of Council on Education modifying Schedule II. of the Day School Code, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Agrarian Offences (Provinces) (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return by Provinces of Agrarian Offences throughout *Ireland* reported to the Inspector General of the Royal *Irish* Constabulary between 1st January 1894 and 31st December 1894, showing the Number of Cases in which Offenders were Convicted; the Number of Cases in which Persons were made amenable but not Convicted; the Number of Cases in which Accused are awaiting Trial; and the Number of Cases in which Offenders were neither Convicted nor made amenable.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 6, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between *Great Britain* and *France* respecting Postal Communications. Signed at *London*, 30th August 1890; Ratifications exchanged at *London*, 23rd March 1891, with a List of *British* Colonies and Foreign Possessions which have acceded thereto under Article XV.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1500 and 1501.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 355.

Public Trustee (Foreign Countries) (Commercial, No. 1, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of any State Regulations in force in the United States of *America*, *France*, *Germany*, *Austria-Hungary*, *Italy*, *Belgium*, and *Sweden* and *Norway* to secure the honest administration of Trusts, and as to the Office and Remuneration of a Public Trustee [Commercial, No. 1, 1895].

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Technical Education (Ireland.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Technical Education (*Ireland*).

Supply [28th March] Report.

Mr. *Causton* reported from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895–96 (Vote on Account).

That a Sum, not exceeding £.4,439,268, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, *viz.*:—

Civil Services.

CLASS I.

	£.
Royal Palaces and *Marlborough* House	5,000
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Registrar General's Office	6,000
Stationery Office and Printing	80,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of	4,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of	8,000
Secret Service	7,000

Scotland:—

Secretary for *Scotland*	2,000
Fishery Board	4,000
Lunacy Commission	1,200
Registrar General's Office	1,000
Local Government Board for *Scotland*	1,500

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household	1,000
Chief Secretary and Subordinate Departments	7,000
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Public Works Office	6,000
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Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum	6,000

Scotland:—

Law Charges and Courts of Law	15,000
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Crofters' Commission	1,000
Prisons, *Scotland*	15,000

Ireland:—	£.
Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions	12,000
Supreme Court of Judicature, and other Legal Departments	20,000
Land Commission	11,000
County Court Officers, &c.	18,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police, &c.	16,000
Constabulary	280,000
Prisons, *Ireland*	20,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools	30,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum	1,500
Class IV.	
United Kingdom and *England*:—	
Public Education, *England* and *Wales*	1,300,000
Science and Art Department, United Kingdom	116,000
British Museum	27,000
National Gallery	3,000
National Portrait Gallery	1,000
Scientific Investigations, &c., United Kingdom	7,000
Universities and Colleges, *Great Britain*, and Intermediate Education, *Wales*	14,000
London University	5
Scotland:—	
Public Education	230,000
National Gallery	400
Ireland:—	
Public Education	250,000
Endowed Schools Commissioners	250
National Gallery	300
Queen's Colleges	500
Class V.	
Diplomatic Services and Consular Services	110,000
British Protectorates in *Uganda* and *Central Africa*	10,000
Colonial Services, including *South Africa*	20,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid	—
Slave Trade Services	1,500
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies, &c.	17,500
Class VI.	
Superannuation and Retired Allowances	135,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions, &c.	3,000
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency	—
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances. *Great Britain*	500
Pauper Lunatics, *Ireland*	70,000
Hospitals and Charities, *Ireland*	4,000
Class VII.	
Temporary Commissions	7,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	500
Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*	6,000
Repayments to the Local Loans Fund	—
Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund	—
Relief of Distress (*Ireland*)	33,000
Total for Civil Services	£. 3,769,268

Revenue Departments.	£.
Customs	50,000
Inland Revenue	100,000
Post Office	100,000
Post Office Packet Service	20,000
Post Office Telegraphs	400,000
Total for Revenue Departments	£. 670,000
Grand Total	£. 4,439,268

The said Resolution being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 4,439,268," and inserting "£. 4,438,618."—(Mr. *Bartley*.)

And the Question being put, That "£. 4,439,268" stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 207.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Bartley*, Sir *Richard Temple*: } 71.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Army (Annual) Bill.

The Army (Annual) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being after ten minutes before Seven of the clock, and Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 25th day of April next.

Royal Patriotic Fund.

The Select Committee on the Royal Patriotic Fund was nominated of Mr. *Thomas Bayley*, Commander *Bethell*, Mr. *Brodrick*, Mr. *Crombie*, Mr. *Seale-Hayne*, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Kearley*, Mr. *Luttrell*, Sir *Herbert Maxwell*, Mr. *Mowbray*, Colonel *Wyndham Murray*, Captain *Norton*, Mr. *Ramsay*, Lord *Edmund Talbot*, and Mr. *Woodall*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Mr. Speaker suspends Sitting till Nine of the clock.

And, it being Seven of the clock, Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting until Nine of the clock.

Evening Sitting.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Local Legislative Assemblies (Ireland, Scotland, Wales, and England.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, "in order to give speedier and fuller effect to "the special desires and wants of the respective "Nationalities constituting the United Kingdom, "and with a view to increase the efficiency of "the Imperial Parliament to deal with Imperial "affairs, it is desirable to devolve upon Legis-"latures in *Ireland*, *Scotland*, *Wales*, and *Eng-"land* respectively the management and control "of their domestic affairs"—(Mr. *Dalziel*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Mr. *Sidney Herbert*: } 102.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Dalziel*, Mr. *Lloyd-George*: } 128.
So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 30*th March*, 1895:

And the Question being put, That the words "in the opinion of this House, in order to give "speedier and fuller effect to the special desires "and wants of the respective Nationalities con-"stituting the United Kingdom, and with a view "to increase the efficiency of the Imperial "Parliament to deal with Imperial affairs, it is "desirable to devolve upon Legislatures in "*Ireland*, *Scotland*, *Wales*, and *England* respec-"tively the management and control of their "domestic affairs," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, in order to give speedier and fuller effect to the special desires and wants of the respective Nationalities constituting the United Kingdom, and with a view to increase the efficiency of the Imperial Parliament to deal with Imperial Affairs, it is desirable to devolve upon Legislatures in *Ireland*, *Scotland*, *Wales*, and *England* respectively the management and control of their domestic affairs.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Courts of Law Fees (Scotland) Bill.

The Courts of Law Fees (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mining Easements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Easements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of April next.

Religious Opinions (Prosecutions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Opinions (Prosecutions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of April next.

Mines (Eight Hours) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of April next.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of April next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of February last, That the Plumbers' Registration Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 25th day of April next.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of April next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 9th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 30th day of April next.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 19th day of April next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers upon the *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd Gas Board Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to constitute and incorporate a Gas Board for the Urban Districts of *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*; to transfer to and vest in such Board the Undertaking of the *Hebden Bridge* Gas Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd Gas Board Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Clonmel Corporation Bill.

That, in the case of the *Clonmel* Corporation Bill, Petition of the Grand Jury of the County of *Waterford*, for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of their Petition against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 1st *April*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Ambleside Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill.

Great Western Railway (No. 2) Bill.

Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill.

New *Russia* Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Great Northern Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Great Northern Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

The *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

City and South London Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the City and South *London* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

North Eastern Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the North Eastern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Scarborough Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Scarborough* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Whitby Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Whitby* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Brecon* and *Merthyr* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Bristol Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Bristol* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Central Ireland Railway Bill.

The Central *Ireland* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifth Report.

Technical Education (Ireland).

Ordered, That the Return relative to Technical Education (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 29th day of March last, be printed.

Marriages, Births, and Deaths (England.)

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—General Abstract of the Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in *England* in the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India (Loans raised in England.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in *England* under the provisions of any Acts of Parliament, chargeable on the Revenues of *India*, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 31st March 1895, with the Rates of Interest and Total Amount payable thereon, and the Date of the Termination of each Loan, the Debt incurred during the half-year, the Moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the Purpose or Service for which Moneys have been raised during the half-year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1502 to 1505.

Treaty Series (No. 7, 1895.)

Copy of Convention between *Great Britain* and *Roumania* respecting false indications of origin on Goods. Signed at *Bucharest* $\frac{20\text{th March}}{1\text{st April}}$ 1893. Ratifications exchanged at *Bucharest*, $\frac{1}{13}$ March 1894; with a List of *British* Colonies which have acceded thereto under Article VI.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Bridlington Piers and Harbour.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Abstract of the General Annual Account of the Commissioners of *Bridlington* Piers and Harbour, for the year ending 26th July 1894.

National Gallery. No. 199.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Annual Report of the Director of the National Gallery to the Treasury for the year 1894.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) [Redemption.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the Treasury to redeem their liability in respect of guaranteed dividend on the share capital of Tramway Companies in *Ireland* by payment of a capital sum, of authorising the National Debt Commissioners to advance the sum required, and of authorising the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament for the service of the Board of Works, or (if not so made) out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, of any terminable annuity created for the repayment of such advance in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883—(Sir *John Hibbert*);

Mr. *John Morley*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trusts Administration.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord *Watson* to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on Trusts Administration: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr Attorney General.)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Rhymney Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the *Rhymney* Railway Company to make a new Railway; to raise additional Capital; to revive and extend the Time for purchasing Lands for and constructing certain authorised Railways; to abandon other Railways; to make provisions as to the Stock and Share Capital of the Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Saint Leonard's-on-Sea and Hollington Parishes Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the *Saint Leonard* and *Saint Mary Magdalen* Church Districts Act, 1868; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bank of Bolton Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to re-arrange the Capital of the Bank of *Bolton* (Limited), and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Drafting of Bills.

The Lords have come to the following Resolution, *viz.*:—That it is desirable that a Joint Committee of both Houses be appointed to consider in what manner such inconvenience as arises from legislation by reference in Acts of Parliament to prior Enactments can best be avoided; to which Resolution they desire the concurrence of this House.

Rhymney Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Rhymney* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Saint Leonard's-on-Sea and Hollington Parishes Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Saint Leonard's-on-Sea* and *Hollington* Parishes Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Bank of Bolton Bill [*Lords.*]

The Bank of *Bolton* Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sittings of the House (Exemption from the Standing Order.)

Ordered, That the proceedings on the Second Reading of the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill, if under discussion at Twelve o'clock this night, be not interrupted under the Standing Order Sittings of the House.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Royal Patriotic Fund.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Royal Patriotic Fund do consist of Seventeen Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cochrane* and Mr. *Egerton Allen* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

Metropolitan Police (Receiver.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the temporary absence of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District: And that Mr. *George Russell* and Mr. Secretary *Asquith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Bill. Bill 188.

Mr. *George Russell* accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for the temporary absence of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 21st day of March last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, to leave out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day six months,"—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*),—instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House, having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 2nd April, 1895:

And the Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *McArthur:*	304.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Mr. *Sidney Herbert:*	260.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday next.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of March last, That the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The Distress Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Hypothec (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hypothec (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fishermen's Voting (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Patent Designs and Trade Marks Acts, 1883 to 1888: And that Mr. *Fletcher-Moulton*, Sir *Richard Webster*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Haldane*, and Mr. *Blake* do prepare, and bring it in.

Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill. Bill 189.

Mr. *Fletcher-Moulton* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Patent Designs and Trade Marks Acts, 1883 to 1888: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half-an-hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 2nd April, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Felixstowe and *Walton* Water Bill.

Wrexham and *Ellesmere* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Great Southern and Western Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Southern and Western Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* and North Western Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Great Eastern Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Great Eastern Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *Macdonald*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions. Vide Sixth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

East India (Loans raised in England.) No. 200.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Loans raised in *England*), which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant April, be printed.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by Mr. *Aubrey Spencer* (Assistant Commissioner, Royal Commission on Agriculture) on the Vale of *Aylesbury* and the County of *Hertford*.

Merionethshire Slate Mines.

Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee upon the *Merionethshire* Slate Mines; with Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, and Index.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Midland Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Midland Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out the reference to the construction by the Midland and Great Northern Railways Joint Committee of a Railway at *King's Lynn*, so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Agricultural Company of Mauritius Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the Agricultural Company of *Mauritius* Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Credit Foncier of Mauritius Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the Credit Foncier of *Mauritius* Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

William Hancock and Company Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *William Hancock* and Company Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered,

Convention of Royal Burghs (Scotland) Act (1879) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Convention of Royal Burghs (*Scotland*) Act (1879) Amendment Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

1. That, in the case of the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

Grand Junction Canal (Warwick Canals Amalgamation.)

2. That, in the case of the Grand Junction Canal (*Warwick* Canals Amalgamation), Petition for leave to deposit their Petition for a Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for a Bill.

North British Railway Bill.

3. That, in the case of the *North British* Railway Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Letting of Sporting Rights.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prevent Owners from letting Sporting Rights over the heads of the Occupiers of the Land: And that Mr. *Luttrell*, Mr. *Benson*, Mr. *Billson*, Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Logan*, Mr. *Halley Stewart*, Sir *William Wedderburn*, and Mr. *Arthur Williams* do prepare, and bring it in.

Letting of Sporting Rights Bill. Bill 190.

Mr. *Luttrell* accordingly presented a Bill to prevent Owners from letting Sporting Rights over the heads of the Occupiers of the Land: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories and Workshops Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Wednesday, 3rd April, 1895:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday next.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Perjury Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Courts of Law Fees (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Courts of Law Fees (*Scotland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 5, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) [Redemption.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) [Redemption].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to redeem their liability in respect of guaranteed dividend on the share capital of Tramway Companies in *Ireland* by payment of a capital sum, to authorise the National Debt Commissioners to advance the sum required, and to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament for the service of the Board of Works, or (if not so made) out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, of any terminable annuity created for the repayment of such advance in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The

Architects' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Architects' Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of this instant April.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 3rd April, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Crystal Palace Company Bill [*Lords.*]

THE *Crystal Palace* Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixth Report.

Prisons (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council approving of Rule made by the General Prisons Board for *Ireland*, dated 11th March 1895.

Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1885 (Diocesan Schools and Banagher Royal School Endowments.)

Copy of Scheme under the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Act, 1885, for the Management of the Diocesan Schools and *Banagher* Royal School Endowments provisionally approved by the Lords Justices in Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Education (Science and Art.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Forty-second Annual Report of the Science and Art Department of the Committee of Council on Education, being for 1894 (with Supplement).

Technical Instruction Act, 1889.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Minutes by the Right Honourable the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on Education, under "The Technical Instruction Act, 1889," sanctioning the Subjects to be taught under Clause 8 of the Act for the County of *Buckingham* (4th Minute), dated 15th March 1895; for the County of *Stafford* (4th Minute), dated 26th January 1895; and for the City and County Borough of *Coventry* (2nd Minute), dated 5th March 1895.

Technical Instruction Amendment (Scotland) Act, 1892.

Copy of Minute by the Lords of the Committee of Council on Education, dated 26th January 1895, under the Technical Instruction Amendment (*Scotland*) Act, 1892, sanctioning the Subjects to be taught under Section 4 of the Act for the County of *Caithness*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Government Insurances and Annuities. No. 201.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of all Moneys received, and of the disposal thereof, and of all Contracts for the Grant of Deferred Life Annuities, and for Payments on Death, made during the year ended 31st December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Drafting of Bills.

The House was moved, That the Message from the Lords of the 1st day of this instant April, which communicates to this House the following Resolution: That it is desirable that a Joint Committee of both Houses be appointed to consider in what manner such inconvenience as arises from legislation by reference in Acts of Parliament to prior enactments can best be avoided; to which Resolution the Lords desire the concurrence of this House, might be read; and the same being read;

The House proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth concur with the Lords in the said Resolution.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them, That this House doth concur with their Lordships in the Resolution communicated

cated to this House in their Lordships' Message of the 1st day of this instant April, on the subject of the Drafting of Bills, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Elections (Second Ballot and Returning Officers' Expenses) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next, the Elections (Second Ballot and Returning Officers' Expenses) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Steam Engines (Persons in Charge) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Steam Engines (Persons in Charge) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Sir *Alfred Hickman.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Select Committee.

Church Patronage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church Patronage Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Colonel *Sandys.*)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Hayes Fisher*, Mr. *Dodd:* } 179.

Tellers for the Noes, { Colonel *Sandys*, Mr. *Courtenay Warner:* } 118.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure.

Law, &c.

Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Church of Scotland Reference Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of *Scotland* Reference Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Sunday Closing (Wales) Act (1881) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sunday Closing (*Wales*) Act (1881) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of May next.

Grocers' Certificates (Scotland) Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grocers' Certificates (*Scotland*) Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 5th day of June next.

Game Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Game Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill.

The Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Criminal Law Procedure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law Procedure Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 30th day of this instant April.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

The Court of Criminal Appeal Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 30th day of this instant April.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of March last, That the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) [Redemption.]

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee on Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) [Redemption], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth: That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to redeem their liability in respect of guaranteed dividend on the share capital of Tramway Companies in *Ireland* by payment of a capital sum, to authorise the National Debt Commissioners to advance the sum required, and to authorise the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament for the service of the Board of Works, or (if not so made) out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, of any terminable annuity created for the repayment of such advance in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to amend the Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Post Office Act, 1891: And that Mr. *Strachey*, Mr. *Barlow*, Captain *Fenwick*, Mr. *Henry Hobhouse*, Mr. *Jeffreys*, and Mr. *Grant Lawson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment.

Ordered, That Lord *Edmund Talbot* be added to the Select Committee on Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

Mr. *Strachey* presented a Bill to amend the Post Office Act, 1891: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Bill 191.

Liverpool New Cattle Market and Railways Bill.

Sir *Theodore Fry* reported from the Committee on the *Liverpool* New Cattle Market and Railways Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Public Petitions (Fifth Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th days of March last, and the 1st day of this instant April, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill; That, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 2nd day of this instant April, the Committee had inserted a clause in the Bill authorising an alteration of a Tramway in *Trafalgar Road*, *Greenwich*, and enabling the Council and the *Woolwich* and South East *London* Tramway Company to enter into agreements with reference thereto.

Mr. *Mellor* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out the recitals as to the expediency of altering the polling districts within the County of *London*, the Clauses relating thereto having been omitted from the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and by adding recitals with reference to the additional provision

provision made in the Bill in pursuance of the said Resolution of the 2nd day of this instant April, and had found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London County Council (Vauxhall Bridge) Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *London* County Council (*Vauxhall* Bridge) Bill, with Amendments.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 4*th April*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

City and South London Railway Bill.

THE City and South *London* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

North Eastern Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the North Eastern Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Whitby Water Bill.

The *Whitby* Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

British Gaslight Company (Staffordshire Potteries) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *British* Gaslight Company (*Staffordshire* Potteries) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

North Middlesex Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the North *Middlesex* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

London County Tramways Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Standing Order 171 be suspended in the case of the *London* County Tramways Bill, and that the Committee on the Bill have power, if they think fit, to provide in the Bill, notwithstanding the said Standing Order, that the local authority may place and run carriages upon the Tramways mentioned in the Bill, or any of them, and take and demand tolls and charges in respect thereof—(Mr. *James Stuart*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Benn*: } 191.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Boulnois*, Sir *Blundell Maple*: } 158.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Standing Order 171 be suspended in the case of the *London* County Tramways Bill, and that the Committee on the Bill have power, if they think fit, to provide in the Bill, notwithstanding the said Standing Order, that the local authority may place and run carriages upon the Tramways mentioned in the Bill, or any of them, and take and demand tolls and charges in respect thereof.

Military Lands Provisional Orders.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Secretary of State under the Military Lands Act, 1892: And that Mr. *Woodall* and Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* do prepare, and bring it in.

Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill. Bill 192.

Mr. *Woodall* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Secretary of State under the Military Lands Act, 1892: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixth Report. East India (Cotton Manufactures) (Import Duties.) No. 202

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Cotton Manufactures) (Import Duties), which was presented upon the 21st day of March last, be printed.

Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1869-70, and Gross Estimated Rental and Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1894.

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of February last, for Returns relative to Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1869–70, and Gross Estimated Rental and Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1894.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Government Departments Securities. No. 203.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amounts of *British* Government Securities held by the several Government Departments and other Public Offices on the 31st day of March 1895, specifying whether held in *England* or *Ireland* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 65, of Session 1894):—

£. 2¾ per Cent. Consols.	£. 2¾ per Cents. (1905).	£. 2½ per Cents.	Local Loans £. 3 per Cent. Stock.	Guaranteed Land Stock.	Book Debt, 55 and 56 Vic. c. 26.	Other Securities.	
						Exchequer Bills, Bonds, Treasury Bills, &c.	Annuities for Terms of Years.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Hayward's Heath Gas Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Hayward's Heath* Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Waterford and Limerick Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to

to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

West Highland Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the West Highland Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the Bill as passed by the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London Street Tramways Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *London* Street Tramways Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Edinburgh Merchants' Company Endowments Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Edinburgh* Merchants' Company Endowments Bill, with Amendments.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

American Mortgage Company of Scotland Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *American* Mortgage Company of *Scotland* Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Contracts with Foreigners.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Contracts for Articles of Home Manufacture made in the United Kingdom by the several Government Departments, between the 1st day of April 1894 and the 31st day of March 1895, with Contractors outside the United Kingdom (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 128, of Session 1894.)—(Colonel *Howard Vincent.*)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Shop Hours Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Shop Hours Bill, without Amendment.

Trusts Administration.

The Lords give leave to the Lord *Watson* to attend in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by this House on Trusts Administration, his Lordship (in his place) consenting.

Old Age Pensions Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April, the Old Age Pensions Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

House Tax (Consolidation.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate Enactments relating to the Duties upon Inhabited Houses: And that Sir *John Hibbert* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Coal Mines Regulation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887: And that Mr. Secretary *Asquith* and Mr. *George Russell* do prepare, and bring it in.

House Tax Consolidation Bill. Bill 193.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented a Bill to consolidate Enactments relating to the Duties upon Inhabited Houses; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill. Bill 194.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented a Bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1887: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant April, That the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Channel Islands Children) Bill.

The Reformatory and Industrial Schools (*Channel Islands* Children) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 5th April, 1895:

Documentary Evidence Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Documentary Evidence Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Bill.

The Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories and Workshops Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon

upon the 2nd day of this instant April, That the Larceny Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day, at Two of the clock.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day, at Two of the clock.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Scotch Education Code, 1895.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty that Sections iii. and iv. of Part II. of the *Scotch* Education Code, 1895, be withdrawn until further time has been given for considering the provisions as to Queen's Students—(Mr. *James Campbell*):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 5th April, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.*:—

Bank of *Bolton* Bill.

Saint Leonard's-on-Sea and *Hollington* Parishes Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bill Petitions (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Agricultural Company of Mauritius Bill [*Lords.*]

The Agricultural Company of *Mauritius* Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Credit Foncier of Mauritius Bill [*Lords.*]

The Credit Foncier of *Mauritius* Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Great Eastern Railway Bill.

The Great Eastern Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Great Southern and Western Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Great Southern and Western Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of Clause 15:—The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 15, disagreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had disagreed to Clause 15 of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the *London* and North Western Railway Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

William Hancock and Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The *William Hancock* and Company Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Brymbo Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Brymbo* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Dividends on different classes of Stock or Shares to be paid proportionately) was twice read, and made part of the Bill; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The

Heriot's Trust Bill [*Lords.*]

Heriot's Trust Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools.

A Petition of the Board of Management of the Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable a certain Fundamental Rule of the Institution, called "The Warehousemen, Clerks' and Drapers' Schools," to be repealed, altered, or amended at a Special Court of the Institution, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixth Report.

Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1869–70, and Gross Estimated Rental and Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1894.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1869–70, and Gross Estimated Rental and Rateable Value of Lands, &c., 1894, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant April, be printed.

No. 204.

Egypt (No. 1, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Finances, Administration, and Condition of *Egypt* and the Progress of Reforms (in continuation of *Egypt* (No. 1, 1894) [C. 7308]).

Treaty Series (No. 8, 1895.)

Copy of Agreement between the Governments of *Great Britain* and *Russia* with regard to the Spheres of Influence of the two Countries in the Region of the *Pamirs*. *London*, 11th March 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Life Insurances.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Tables of the Premiums to be charged under Contracts for the Insurance of Lives; together with a Statement of the Rules observed in constructing them.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1885 (Banks Endowment, Eyrecourt.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme, under the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Act, 1885, for the Management of the *Banks* Endowment, *Eyrecourt*.

No. 205.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April, the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts, 1842 to 1891, by providing the Right of Appeal in certain Cases: And that Captain *Donelan*, Mr. *Dane*, Mr. *William Kenny*, Mr. *Ross*, and Mr. *Webb* do prepare, and bring it in.

Purchase of Land.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide greater Facilities for the Sale of Land to Occupying Tenants and others: And that Mr. *Jesse Collings*, Sir *Richard Paget*, Mr. *Henry Hobhouse*, Mr. *Jeffreys*, and Mr. *Grant Lawson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

Bill 195.

Captain *Donelan* presented a Bill to amend the Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts, 1842 to 1891, by providing the Right of Appeal in certain Cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Purchase of Land Bill.

Bill 196.

Mr. *Jesse Collings* presented a Bill to provide greater Facilities for the Sale of Land to Occupying Tenants and others: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant April, That the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Documentary Evidence Bill [*Lords.*]

The Documentary Evidence Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant April, That the Larceny Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Resident Magistrates (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Resident Magistrates of *Ireland* up to the 1st day of April 1895 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 107, of Session 1892).—(Mr. *Dane*.)

British Museum.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Income and Expenditure of the *British* Museum (Special Trust Funds) for the year ending the 31st day of March 1895; and Return of the Number of Persons admitted to visit the Museum and the *British* Museum (Natural History) in each year from 1889 to 1894, both years inclusive; together with a Statement of the Progress made in the Arrangement and Description of the Collections, and an Account of Objects added to them in the year 1894.—(Sir *John Lubbock*.)

Evening Sitting.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Parliamentary Elections (Second Ballot.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, "it is desirable that provision should be made "for a Second Ballot at Parliamentary Elec-"tions in all cases where no candidate receives "an absolute majority of the votes recorded"—(Mr. *Dalziel*),—instead thereof.

And

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *Stafford Northcote*, Mr. *Alexander Cross*: 72.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Dalziel*, Mr. *Maden*: 132.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 6th April, 1895:

And the Question being put, That the words "in the opinion of this House, it is desirable "that provision should be made for a Second "Ballot at Parliamentary Elections in all cases "where no candidate receives an absolute "majority of the votes recorded," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that provision should be made for a Second Ballot at Parliamentary Elections in all cases where no candidate receives an absolute majority of the votes recorded.

Supply. *Resolved*, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Libel Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 8th April, 1895.

The House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.) MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

British Gaslight Company (Staffordshire Potteries) Bill. The *British* Gaslight Company (*Staffordshire* Potteries) Bill, was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

North Middlesex Gas Bill. The North *Middlesex* Gas Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Scarborough Gas Bill. The *Scarborough* Gas Bill was read the third time, and passed, with a verbal Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London and North Western Railway Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *London* and North Western Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors' Widows Fund Society Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

York New Water Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the *York* New Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ambleside Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill [*Lords.*] The *Ambleside* Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill [*Lords.*] The *Felixstowe* and *Walton* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The

Great Western Railway (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Great Western Railway (No. 2) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill [*Lords.*]

The Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill was read a second time; and committed.

New Russia Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The New *Russia* Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Great Southern and Western Railway Bill.

Ordered, That, in the case of the Great Southern and Western Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time--(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

A Petition of *Henry Ascott, George Mild, Frederick Molesworth, Robert Dymond, Edward John Tattersill, James Henry Lochley, William Vaughan, Silvanus Webber, Henry Grant, John Essery, John Samuel Bulleid, Samuel Hooper*, and *George Langdon Fulford*, praying that provision may be made in the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway, for altering the centre Line of Railway Number One, so as to admit of its being constructed on lands other than common lands, and for relinquishing Railway Number Two, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to *Minehead, Morecambe, Moy River*, and *Woody Bay*: And that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill. Bill 197.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to *Minehead, Morecambe, Moy River*, and *Woody Bay*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Vide Sixth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Commons Act, 1876 (Upton Saint Leonards Common Fields.)

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Board of Agriculture, upon an application under the Commons Act, 1876, for a Provisional Order for the inclosure of *Upton Saint Leonards* Common Fields.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

National Debt (Savings Banks.) No. 206.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Balance Sheet, setting forth the Assets and Liabilities of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, in respect of Trustee Savings Banks, on the 20th November 1894, the Assets being valued pursuant to 26 *Vic.* c. 25, s. 6.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Education (School Districts) (England and Wales.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of School Districts in *England* and *Wales*, with the Standards fixed by the Bye-laws of each District (Revised to 1st March 1895).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Navigation and Shipping.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Statement of the Navigation and Shipping of the United Kingdom for the year 1894.

Companies (Winding-up) Act, 1890.

Mr. *Bryce* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of General Rules, dated 2nd April 1895, made pursuant to Section 26 of the Companies (Winding-up) Act, 1890.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Reports (Miscellaneous.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum by the *Canadian* Minister of the Interior upon the Advantages offered by the several Provinces of *Canada* to various Classes of Emigrants (Colonial Reports, Miscellaneous) (No. 4, *Canada*).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ultimus Hæres (Scotland) (Account and List of Estates.) No. 207.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Returns of Abstract Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, *Scotland*, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1894, in the Administration of Estates and Treasure Trove on behalf of the Crown:—And, of Alphabetical List of Estates which fell to the Crown as *Ultimus Hæres* in *Scotland*, administered by the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1894.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

County of Norfolk (Mid-Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Norfolk* Mid-Division, in the room of *Clement Higgins*, Esquire, who, since his election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke, Desborough*, and *Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.—(Mr. *Anstruther*.)

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill. Law, &c. No. 208.

Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* reported from the Standing Committee on Law, Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, to whom the Municipal Franchise (*Ireland*) Bill was committed; That they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement.

Mr. Speaker addressed the House, announcing his intention of retiring from the Chair, as followeth (all the Members being uncovered):—

I ask leave to intervene for a few moments before the regular business of the day is proceeded with in order that I may make an announcement to the House, an announcement which

which I should have wished to make before, but in making which at this moment, I hope I am to the best of my power consulting the convenience of the House.

Considerations of health, which I cannot overlook, have obliged me to come to a decision, a decision at which I have arrived, I hope I need not assure the House, after deep deliberation and with the utmost reluctance. Elected to this Chair more than eleven years ago, and thrice re-elected, I have passed through many Sessions. I desire unreservedly to say that I have received from all sides of the House a consideration and a forbearance which have greatly mitigated the sense of responsibility, and greatly alleviated the mere physical labour of sitting in this Chair. I have passed through many Sessions, some of storm and stress, some others of comparative, but only of comparative, repose; but in all that time I desire to acknowlege most earnestly, and from the bottom of my heart, the way in which honourable Members on both sides, and all sides, of the House have treated me. If, during that time, I have given offence to any one Member or more Members, or to any section of the House, I hope that an act of oblivion may be passed. If I have ever deviated from that calm which should characterise the utterances of the occupant of this Chair, I hope every single Member of the House will believe me when I say that I have never been consciously actuated by any personal or political feeling, and that in all I have done and said I have at least, according to my poor judgment, tried to consult the advantage and the permanent interests of this Assembly.

Speaking as your representative, and speaking on my own behalf, I desire to thank all the officers of this House, all those who are in any way concerned in enabling this great legislative machine to go on smoothly from day to day, for the assistance that I have received from them. I desire, inasmuch as I am more immediately brought into contact with them, to thank the Clerk of this House and the two Gentlemen who sit with him at the Table. The House knows their services, but no one knows better than he who is now taking his leave of the House, who has so often taken advantage of their counsel and advice, no one, I say, can have a deeper consciousness than I of their unostentatious labours.

I have said that I have passed through many Sessions; I have witnessed many changes, I have witnessed changes in the procedure of this House: and I would venture to say that, although Standing Orders and Rules of this House, when they are enacted and are in force, ought to be observed both in the spirit and in the letter, yet that neither Rules nor Orders, nor Standing Orders, of this House are of permanent and lasting obligation. They must change as circumstances change. One thing I venture to think is absolutely essential, and that is that we should pay regard to those honourable traditions, and to that great code of law, unwritten though it be, which is of imperative and stringent obligation, if that continuity of sentiment is to be maintained to which all institutions owe so much, to which this House has at all times attached so much value, and to the observance of which it owes inestimable advantage.

Finally, let me say a few parting words in conclusion. And I wish to speak, not with the brief remnant of authority which is still left to me, with the sands of my official life rapidly running out, I would rather speak as a Member of thirty years' experience in this House who speaks to his brother Members and comrades, if I may dare to use the term. I would fain hope that by the co-operation of all its Members this House may continue to be a pattern and a model to foreign nations and to those great peoples who have left our shores, and have carried our blood, our race, our language, our institutions, and our habits of thought to the uttermost parts of the earth. I would fain indulge in the belief and the hope, and as I speak with the traditions of this House and its glorious memories crowding on my mind, that hope and that belief become stronger and more emphasised, though with both hope and belief I would couple an earnest, but a humble, prayer, that this House may have centuries of honour, of dignity, and of usefulness before it, and that it may continue to hold, not a prominent only but, a first and foremost position among the Legislative Assemblies of the world.

Whereupon Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Balfour* severally addressed the House.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth: **Message from the Lords.**

The Lords have agreed to the Army (Annual) Bill, without Amendment. **Army (Annual) Bill.**

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 1) Bill, without Amendment. **Local Government (Ireland) Provisional (Order No. 1) Bill.**

The Lords have agreed to the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. **Grand Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.**

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law of Evidence; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. **Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]**

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer powers on the *Barry* Railway Company for the acquisition of Lands, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. **Barry Railway Bill [*Lords.*]**

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enlarge the Powers of the *Taff Vale* Railway Company for the construction of Works and the acquisition of Lands; to enable them to establish Savings Banks, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. **Taff Vale Railway Bill [*Lords.*]**

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for conferring further Powers on the Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway Company for the construction of Works, the acquisition of Lands, the raising of Money, and otherwise in relation to their Undertaking, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House. **Vale of Glamorgan Railway Bill [*Lords.*]**

The Lords have appointed a Committee of Five Lords to join with a Committee of this House to consider in what manner such inconvenience as arises from Legislation by reference in Acts of Parliament to prior enactments can best be avoided; and request this House to appoint an equal number of its Members to be joined with the said Lords. **Drafting of Bills.**

The *Barry* Railway Bill was read the first time. **Barry Railway Bill [*Lords.*]**

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The *Taff Vale* Railway Bill was read the first time. **Taff Vale Railway Bill [*Lords.*]**

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway Bill was read the first time. **Vale of Glamorgan Railway Bill [*Lords.*]**

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish Local Control over the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquor: And that Mr. Chancellor **Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control.)**

Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary *Asquith*, Sir *George Trevelyan*, Sir *John Hibbert*, and Mr. *Burt* do prepare, and bring it in.

Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill. Bill 198.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented a Bill to establish Local Control over the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquor: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to Crofters' Holdings in *Scotland*—(Sir *George Trevelyan*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Distress Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 4, agreed to.

New Clause (Unlawful Distress) — (Mr. *Pickersgill*)——brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be now read a second time;

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And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Perjury Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Order be discharged—(Mr. Attorney General):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Channel Islands Children) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Reformatory and Industrial Schools (*Channel Islands* Children) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 4, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Naval Works Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant April, That the Larceny Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 26th day of this instant April.

School Board for London Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant April.

Hypothec (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hypothec (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant April.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant April.

Handloom Weavers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Handloom Weavers (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patent Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant April.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trades Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Ordered,

Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Office Abolition.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the Office of Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, and to provide for the Appointment of a Secretary of State for *Ireland:* And that Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Butcher*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Sir *Richard Temple*, and Mr. *Disraeli* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children: And that Mr. *Conybeare*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *Caine*, Mr. *Rathbone*, Mr. *William Johnston*, Mr. *Webb*, Mr. *Alfred Thomas*, Sir *Mark Stewart*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Bolitho*, Mr. *Macdonald*, and Mr. *Haldane* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Elementary Schools Warned.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Quarterly Return, by Counties, of the Public Elementary Schools:—

(1.) Which have been warned by the Education Department under Article 86 of the Code, including Schools from which the Grant has been withheld under that Article;

(2.) Which have been warned by the Education Department that the Annual Grant will in future be withheld unless defects in the School premises are remedied;

(3.) The Annual Grants to which have been suspended for three months or more from the date of the receipt by the Education Department of the Inspector's Report on account of Defects in the School Premises;

in the following form:—

(1.)

School.	Department (B., G., M., I.)	Average Attendance.	Date of adverse Report.	Reason.

NOTE.—Schools from which the Grant has been withheld are marked *.

(2.)

School.	Department (B., G., M., I.)	Average Attendance.	Date of Warning.	Date at which Grant is proposed to be withheld.	Reason.

(3.)

School.	Department (B., G., M., I.)	Average Attendance.	Date of receipt of Inspector's Report.	Reason.

The first Quarterly Return to be made up to the 31st day of March 1895.—(Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland.*)

Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Office Abolition Bill. Bill 199.

Mr. *Ross* presented a Bill to abolish the Office of Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, and to provide for the Appointment of a Secretary of State for *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill. Bill 200.

Mr. *Conybeare* presented a Bill to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 9th April, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Brymbo Water Bill.

The *Brymbo* Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London Street Tramways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* Street Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant April.

Private Bills.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 39 and 129 be suspended, and that the time for depositing Petitions against Private Bills, or against any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order or Provisional Certificate, and for depositing duplicates of any Documents relating to any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order, or Provisional Certificate, be extended to the first day on which the House shall sit after the Recess.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Weaver Navigation (No. 1) Bill and Weaver Navigation (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *Weaver* Navigation (No. 1) Bill, and the *Weaver* Navigation (No. 2) Bill, that they have power, if they think fit, to consolidate the said Bills into one Bill.—(Mr. *James Stuart.*)

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

A Petition of the *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Bill for extending the time for purchasing Land and completing Works already authorised by Parliament, and for abandoning Works previously authorised, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill.

A Petition of the Promoters of the *Uxbridge* and *Rickmansworth* Railway, praying that Provision may be made in the *Uxbridge* and *Rickmansworth* Railway Bill for the diversion of certain Railways already authorised by Parliament, and for the construction of an additional Junction with the Great Western Railway at *Uxbridge*, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Great Northern and City Railway Bill.

A Petition of the Great Northern and City Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the Great Northern and City Railway Bill, authorising the use of Steam-motive Power, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas D. Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Shop Hours Act, 1895.
2. Convention of Royal Burghs (*Scotland*) Act, 1879, Amendment Act, 1895.
3. Army (Annual) Act, 1895.
4. Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1895.
5. Agricultural Company of *Mauritius* Act, 1895.
6. Credit Foncier of *Mauritius*, Limited, Act, 1895.
7. *William Hancock* and Company, Limited (Conversion of Shares), Act, 1895.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1890, relating to *Motherwell* and *Stirling*: And that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to *Alderley Edge*, *Leigh*, *Llandudno*, *Luton*, *Radcliffe*, and *Swindon New Town*: And that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to *Carlisle*, *Pontypool*, *Walthamstow*, *Winchester*, and *Worthing*: And that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Battle*, *Dorchester*, *Eton*, *Fareham*, *Ilfracombe*, *Leicester*, *Ryde*, *Sandgate*, *Southampton*, *Torquay*, *Ulverston*, *Wallasey*, *West Cowes*, and *Wilton*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Batley*, *Dronfield*, *Hemsworth*, *Pontefract*, *Sunbury-on-Thames*, *Tonbridge*, *Twickenham*, *Walthamstow*, and *Warrington*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order for forming a Compensation District and establishing a Compensation Board, under the Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Act, 1891: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill. Bill 201.

Mr. *Burt* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1890, relating to *Motherwell* and *Stirling*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill. Bill 202.

Mr. *Burt* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to *Alderley Edge*, *Leigh*, *Llandudno*, *Luton*, *Radcliffe*, and *Swindon New Town*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill. Bill 203.

Mr. *Burt* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to *Carlisle*, *Pontypool*, *Walthamstow*, *Winchester*, and *Worthing*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill. Bill 204.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Battle*, *Dorchester*, *Eton*, *Fareham*, *Ilfracombe*, *Leicester*, *Ryde*, *Sandgate*, *Southampton*, *Torquay*, *Ulverston*, *Wallasey*, *West Cowes*, and *Wilton*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill. Bill 205.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Batley*, *Dronfield*, *Hemsworth*, *Sunbury-on-Thames*, *Tonbridge*, *Twickenham*, *Walthamstow*, and *Warrington*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill. Bill 206.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order for forming a Compensation District and establishing a Compensation Board under the Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Act, 1891: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions. Vide Sixth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Commons Act, 1876 (Upton Saint Leonard's Common Fields.) No. 209.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Commons Act, 1876 (*Upton Saint Leonard's* Common Fields), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant April, be printed.

Mr.

Railways (Times of Trains.) No. 210.

Mr. *Bryce* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return for the Months of June, July, and August 1894, from the Great Western, South Eastern, *London, Chatham*, and *Dover, London, Brighton*, and South Coast, and *London* and South Western Railway Companies, showing the Arrival at *London* Stations of all Passenger Trains from a distance of not less than 50 miles from starting point, as shown in the published Time Tables of the Company, in the Form set out therein:——The Return to be compiled from the Guards' Reports or Journals; and *London* Stations to mean, for the Great Western, *Paddington*; for the *Chatham* and *Dover, Victoria, Saint Paul's*, and *Holborn Viaduct*; for the South Eastern, *Cannon Street* and *Charing Cross*; for the *London, Brighton*, and South Coast, *London Bridge* and *Victoria*; and for the South Western, *Waterloo*.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Board of Agriculture (Agricultural Returns.)

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Agricultural Returns for *Great Britain*, showing the Acreage and Produce of Crops, Prices of Corn, and Number of Live Stock; together with Summaries of Agricultural Statistics for the United Kingdom, *British* Possessions, and Foreign Countries for 1894.

Board of Agriculture (Agricultural Experiment Stations) (United States.)

Copy of Report on the Agricultural Experiment Stations and Agricultural Colleges of the United States of *America*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Charity Commission (England and Wales.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Forty-second Report of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*, being for the year 1894.

Polling Districts (Manchester.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Council of the City of *Manchester* dividing the several Divisions of the Parliamentary Borough of *Manchester* into Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Alkali, &c., Works Regulation Act, 1881. No. 211.

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Thirty-first Annual Report by the Chief Inspector, under the Alkali, &c., Works Regulation Act, 1881, of his Proceedings during the year 1894, presented to the Local Government Board, and to the Secretary for *Scotland*.

Local Government Act, 1888.

Copies of Orders made by the County Councils of various Counties in *England* and *Wales* under the Local Government Act, 1888, and confirmed by the Local Government Board.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Report be printed.

Intermediate Education (Ireland) (Rules.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule made by the Intermediate Education Board for *Ireland*, dated 5th March 1895, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army (Volunteer Corps.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Annual Return of the Volunteer Corps of *Great Britain*, for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1506 to 1508.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Supreme Court (Local Government Act, 1894.)

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Questions for the High Court under the Local Government Act, 1894. Section 70 (1).

Loss of Life at Sea. No. 212.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return of the Loss of Life at Sea for the year 1893 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 32, of Session 1894).

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Emigration and Immigration. No. 213.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statistical Tables relating to Emigration and Immigration from and into the United Kingdom in the year 1894, and Report to the Board of Trade thereon.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed, and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *London* and South Western Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Highland Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Highland Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Bristol Water Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Bristol* Water Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Brecon* and *Merthyr* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

London County Tramways Bill.

Mr. *Roby* reported from the Committee on the *London* County Tramways Bill; That in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 4th day of this instant April, the Committee had inserted provisions in the Bill authorising the *London* County Council to place and run carriages

riages upon the Tramways mentioned in the Bill, and to take and demand tolls and charges in respect thereof.

Mr. *Roby* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Wicklow (East Wicklow Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Wicklow*, East Division, in the room of *John Sweetman*, Esquire, who, since his election for the said County, hath accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.—(Mr. *Clancy*.)

Registration Order, 1895.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Registration Order, 1895, being an Order in Council published in the "*London Gazette*" of the 19th day of March 1895.—(Sir *Charles Dilke*.)

Grand Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Selection (Standing Committees.) Law, &c. Church Patronage Bill.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, the following Fifteen Members in respect of the Church Patronage Bill: Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Viscount *Cranborne*, Mr. *Dodd*, Mr. *Everett*, Sir *James Fergusson*, Mr. *Hayes Fisher*, Mr. *McInnes*, Mr. *Lloyd Morgan*, Mr. *Roby*, Mr. *George Russell*, Colonel *Sandys*, Mr. *Talbot*, Mr. *Warner*, Mr. *Carvell Williams*, and Viscount *Wolmer*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Standing Committees (Chairmen's Panel.) Law, &c.

Sir *Matthew White Ridley* reported from the Chairmen's Panel; That they had appointed Sir *Matthew White Ridley* to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, in the place of Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Standing Orders. Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth: That, in the case of the Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable a certain fundamental rule of the Institution, called "The Warehousemen, Clerks' and Drapers' Schools," to be repealed, altered, or amended at a Special Court of the Institution, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Bonsor* and Mr. *Spicer* do prepare, and bring it in.

Oxford Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Oxford*, in the room of General Sir *George Tomkyns Chesney*, K.C.B., deceased.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Land Transfer Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to simplify Titles and facilitate the Transfer of Land in *England*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to define the Capital of the Undertakers of the Navigation of the Rivers of *Aire* and *Calder*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*; to make provision for the Optional Conversion into Personalty of the Shares and Interests of Proprietors in the Navigation; to confer further Powers on the Undertakers for the Construction of Works, and other matters in relation to their Undertaking, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Poole Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to incorporate Harbour Commissioners for the Harbour of *Poole*, in the County of *Dorset*; and to transfer to and vest in them the Harbour Undertaking of the Corporation of *Poole* as Trustees of the Quays and Harbour of *Poole*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Edinburgh and District Water Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide an additional Supply of Water to the City of *Edinburgh*, Town and Port of *Leith*, and Town of *Portobello*, and Districts and Places adjacent; to confer further Powers on the *Edinburgh* and District Water Trustees, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for empowering the *Fishguard* and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbours Company to provide and use Steam and other Vessels, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Aire* and *Calder* Navigation Bill was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Poole Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Poole* Harbour Bill was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Edinburgh and District Water Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Edinburgh* and District Water Bill was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels) Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Fishguard* and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels) Bill was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Smaller Dwellings (*Scotland*) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next.

Resolved,

Adjournment of the House (Easter.)

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House To-morrow, adjourn until Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Mr. Speaker's Retirement.

On the Motion of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, which was seconded by Mr. *Balfour*, and supported by Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Mr. *Chamberlain*, Mr. *John Redmond*, and Mr. *Naoroji*;

Resolved, *Nemine Contradicente*, That the thanks of this House be given to Mr. Speaker for his distinguished services in the Chair for more than eleven years; that he be assured that this House fully appreciates the zeal, ability, and impartiality with which he has discharged the duties of his high office, through a period of unusual labour, difficulty, and anxiety, and the judgment and firmness with which he has maintained its privileges and dignity; and that this House feels the strongest sense of his unremitting attention to the constantly increasing business of Parliament, and of his uniform urbanity which have secured for him the respect and esteem of this House.

Then Mr. Speaker addressed the House as followeth (all the Members being uncovered):—

I am greatly honoured and deeply touched by the speeches which have been delivered in moving and seconding the Resolution now before the House by the Right Honourable Gentleman the Chancellor of the Exchequer and by the Right Honourable Gentleman the Leader of the Opposition. I am not less touched and honoured by the speeches which have been delivered by the Honourable Gentleman the Member for *North Longford*, by the Right Honourable Gentleman the Member for West *Birmingham*, by the Honourable Gentleman the Member for *Waterford* City, and by the Honourable Gentleman the Member for Central *Finsbury*.

It was my duty yesterday to give such expression as I could to the emotions which were aroused within me by my imminent retirement from this Chair. The fewest words perhaps will best befit me to-day. If I use only conventional language in returning thanks for the honour which you do me, which the whole House has done me, I hope it will be believed that there underlies that merely conventional language a deep and abiding sense of gratitude to this House, a deep acknowledgment of that personal kindness, I would say, which has been shown to me from all quarters of the House, a kindness the expression of which adds perhaps to the poignancy of my feelings and accentuates my regret on leaving the Chair, but the memory of which will after a short time mitigate, I am sure, to me the inevitable pain of parting. I desire respectfully to thank you.

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be given to Mr. Speaker for what he has said this day to the House; and that the same be printed in the Votes of this day, and entered in the Journals of this House.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolved, *Nemine Contradicente*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty that She will be most graciously pleased to confer some signal mark of Her Royal Favour upon the Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*, Speaker of this House, for his eminent services during the important period in which he has with such distinguished ability and dignity presided in the Chair of this House; and to assure Her Majesty that whatever expense Her Majesty shall think proper to be incurred upon that account, this House will make good the same.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

Naval Works Bill.

The Naval Works Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant April, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to Crofters' Holdings in *Scotland*;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Debate be further adjourned until Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out the words "Monday "the 22nd," and inserting the words "Thursday "the 25th"—(Mr. *Buchanan*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "Monday the 22nd" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Wednesday, 10*th April*, 1895:

And the adjourned Debate on Motion for leave to bring in a Bill stood appointed for Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of March last, That the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factories and Workshops Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Distress Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant April, That the Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill, be discharged;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Bill.

The Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant April, That the Larceny Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Grocers' Licences Abolition.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the Retail Sale of Spirits, Wine, and Beer by Shopkeepers in *England* and *Wales:* And that Mr. *David Thomas*, Mr. *Lloyd-George*, Major *Jones*, Mr. *Alfred Thomas*, Mr. *Whittaker*, and Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*) do prepare, and bring it in.

Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt from Poor and other Local Rates all Registered Institutions for the Care, Training, and Education of Idiots and Imbeciles: And that Mr. *Round*, Mr. *Ainsworth*, Sir *Frederick Mappin*, Mr. *Maclure*, Mr. *Tomlinson*, Mr. *Allison*, and Sir *William Houldsworth* do prepare, and bring it in.

Grocers' Licences Abolition Bill. Bill 207.

Mr. *David Thomas* presented a Bill to abolish the Retail Sale of Spirits, Wine, and Beer by Shopkeepers in *England* and *Wales:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates) Bill. Bill 208.

Mr. *Round* presented a Bill to exempt from Poor and other Local Rates all Registered Institutions for the Care, Training, and Education of Idiots and Imbeciles: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of May next; and to be printed.

Salmon Fisheries (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Salmon Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant April.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 26th day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant April.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant April.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Municipal Franchise (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

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Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 25th day of this instant April.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant April.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 10*th April*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

Mr. Gully chosen Speaker.

THE Serjeant came, and brought the Mace, and laid it under the Table.

Then Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, addressing himself to the Clerk of the House (who, standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down), stated that he had it in Command from Her Majesty to acquaint the House that Her Majesty having been informed of the Resignation of the Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*, late Speaker of this House, gives leave to proceed forthwith to the choice of a new Speaker.

Then *Samuel Whitbread*, Esquire, stood up, and, addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House *William Court Gully*, Esquire, Q.C., for their Speaker, and moved, That *William Court Gully*, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker, in which Motion he was seconded by *Augustine Birrell*, Esquire, Q.C.:—

Then the Right Honourable Sir *John Robert Mowbray*, Baronet, stood up, and, addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House the Right Honourable Sir *Matthew White Ridley*, Baronet, for their Speaker, and moved, That the Right Honourable Sir *Matthew White Ridley* do take the Chair of this House as Speaker, in which Motion he was seconded by *John Lloyd Wharton*, Esquire:—

Thereupon the said *William Court Gully*, Esquire, and the Right Honourable Sir *Matthew White Ridley* severally addressed themselves to the House:—

And, after a Debate, the Question was put by the Clerk, That *William Court Gully*, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	285.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *John Mowbray*, Mr. *Wharton*:	274.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Whereupon the said *William Court Gully*, Esquire, was conducted to the Chair by Mr. *Whitbread* and Mr. *Birrell*, and, standing on the upper step, he expressed his sincere thanks to the House and his profound sense of the great honour which the House had been pleased to confer upon him, and sat down in the Chair; then the Mace, which before lay under the Table, was placed on the Table.

Then Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Balfour* congratulated Mr. Speaker Elect; and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainted the House that he had it in Command from Her Majesty that the House should present their Speaker on Monday the 22nd day of this instant April, at Three o'clock, in the House of Peers, for Her Majesty's Royal Approbation, and then moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Mr. Speaker Elect thereupon put the Question, which being agreed to, the House, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 9th day of this instant April, adjourned until Monday the 22nd day of this instant April, and Mr. Speaker Elect went away without the Mace before him.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Two of the clock, adjourned till Monday the 22nd day of this instant April.

Monday, 22*nd April*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE House being met; and Mr. Speaker elect having taken the Chair;

A Message was delivered by *Thomas D. Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod;

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker elect, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where he was presented to the said Lords Commissioners for Her Majesty's Royal approbation.

Then the Lord High Chancellor, one of the said Lords Commissioners, signified Her Majesty's approbation of Mr. Speaker elect.

The House having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been in the House of Peers; where Her Majesty was pleased, by Her Commissioners, to approve of the choice the House had made of him to be their Speaker;

And then Mr. Speaker repeated his most respectful acknowledgments to the House for the high honour they had done him.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:

Aire and *Calder* Navigation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.*:

Fishguard and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels) Bill.

Poole Harbour Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto, has been complied with, *viz.:*

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bill Petitions (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:

Grand Junction Canal (*Warwick* Canals Amalgamation) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Private Bills (Petition for additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:

Torrington and *Okehampton* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill.

The *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Bristol Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Bristol* Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Aberdeen Harbour Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Aberdeen* Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

American Mortgage Company of Scotland Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *American* Mortgage Company of *Scotland* Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Brecon* and *Merthyr* Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Hayward's Heath Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Hayward's Heath* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Liverpool New Cattle Market and Railways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Liverpool* New Cattle Market and Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

West Highland Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the West Highland Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Bank of Bolton Bill [*Lords.*]

The Bank of *Bolton* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

The Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Saint Leonard's-on-Sea and Hollington Parishes Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Saint Leonard's-on-Sea* and *Hollington* Parishes Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of May next.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Warehousemen, Clerks, and Drapers' Schools Bill.

A Bill to enable a certain fundamental Rule of the Institution called "The Warehousemen, Clerks, and Drapers' Schools" to be repealed, altered, or amended at a Special Court of the Institution, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill.

The Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, was read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

London County Council (Money.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the Expenditure of Money by the *London* County Council on Capital Account during the current financial period, and the raising of Money to meet such Expenditure, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Benn*.

London County Council (Finance.)

A Petition of the *London* County Council, for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the raising and provision of Money by the *London* County Council, for Expenditure on Capital Account, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Cohen*.

Dublin Corporation Bill.

The Order made upon the 18th day of February last, That the *Dublin* Corporation Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.—(Mr. *Wason*.)

Grand Junction Canal (Warwick Canals Amalgamation.)

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Grand Junction Canal, the Company of Proprietors of the *Warwick* and *Birmingham* Canal Navigation, the Company of Proprietors of the *Warwick* and *Napton* Canal Navigation, and the Company of Proprietors of *Birmingham* and *Warwick* Junction Canal Navigation, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Amalgamation of the *Warwick* and *Birmingham*, the *Warwick* and *Napton*, and the *Birmingham* and *Warwick* Junction Canal Navigations, with the Undertaking of the Company of Proprietors of the Grand Junction Canal, and for other purposes; was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Sixth Report.

Crown's Nominee Account.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstract Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Treasury Solicitor in the year ended 31st December 1894, in the Administration of Estates on

No. 215.

on behalf of the Crown under the authority of the Treasury Solicitor Act, 1876.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Prisons (Departmental Committee.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report from the Departmental Committee on Prisons appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Tuberculosis (Royal Commission.)

Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on Tuberculosis, Part I.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Acts.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eighth Annual Report of the Crofters' Commission as to their proceedings under the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Acts, being for the year ended 31st December 1894.

Education (Scotland.)

Copy of Report by *J. Struthers*, Esquire, one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools in *Scotland*, on *Sloyd* and *Kindergarten* Occupations in the Elementary School.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Fictitious Wheat Contracts (Commercial, No. 2, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports from Her Majesty's Representatives in *Germany*, *Belgium*, and the United States on Legislative Measures for suppressing Gambling in Fictitious Wheat Contracts.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1509 to 1525.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Public Elementary Schools Warned. No. 216.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 8th day of this instant April, for Returns relative to Public Elementary Schools Warned.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Navy (First Class Cruisers.) No. 214.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Description of the new First Class Cruisers for the commencement of which Provision is made in the Navy Estimates for 1895–6.

Mr. *Edmund Robertson* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders. No. 217.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement (Queen's Answer to Address.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer acquainted the House that their Address of Tuesday, the 9th day of this instant April, to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty "that She will be most graciously pleased to confer some signal mark of Her Royal Favour upon the Right honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*, Speaker of this House, for his eminent services during the important period in which he has with such distinguished ability and dignity presided in the Chair of this House; and to assure Her Majesty that whatever expense Her Majesty shall think proper to be incurred upon that account this House will make good the same," has been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty has been pleased to receive the same very graciously; and has commanded him to acquaint this House that Her Majesty is desirous, in compliance with the wishes of Her faithful Commons, to confer upon the said Right honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel* some signal mark of Her Royal Favour; but, as the same cannot be effectually granted and secured without the concurrence of Parliament, Her Majesty recommends to the House of Commons the adoption of such measures as may be necessary for the accomplishment of this purpose.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider Her Majesty's Most Gracious Answer.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Leeds Borough (East Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Leeds*, East Division, in the room of *Lawrence Gane*, Esquire, Q.C., deceased.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of May next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of May next.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Factories and Workshops Bill was, according to Order, read a second time;

Trade, &c.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	67.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Tomlinson*, Mr. *Seton-Karr*:	27.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 23rd April, 1895:

The Bill was accordingly committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures.

Crofters Holdings (Scotland.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant April, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to Crofters' Holdings in *Scotland*;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of March last, That the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of May next.

Waterford Infirmary (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Waterford* Infirmary (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

School Board for London Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 30th day of this instant April.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Compulsory Sale (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Compulsory Sale (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

Agricultural Holdings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next.

Street Music Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Street Music Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

Payment of Wages Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Wages Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of May next.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 7th day of May next.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 3rd day of May next.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of May next.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the Collection of the Land Tax allocated by the Convention of Royal Burghs in *Scotland:* And that the Lord Advocate, Sir *George Trevelyan*, and Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill. Bill 209.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Bill to regulate the Collection of the Land Tax allocated by the Convention of Royal Burghs in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 23*rd April*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Petition for additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

London County Council (Money) Bill.

A Bill to regulate the Expenditure of Money by the *London* County Council on Capital Account during the current financial period, and the raising of Money to meet such Expenditure, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London County Council (Finance) Bill.

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Law relating to the raising and provision of Money by the *London* County Council for Expenditure on Capital Account, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seventh Report.

University of Saint Andrew's.

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Annual Report as to Statistics by the University Court of the University of *Saint Andrew's* to the Secretary for *Scotland*, under the provisions of Section 30 of the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, for the Year from the 1st October 1893 to 30th September 1894.

University of Saint Andrew's.

Copy of Abstract of the Accounts of the University of *Saint Andrew's* to the Secretary for *Scotland*, for the year ending the 30th September 1894, being the Annual Report on the State of the Finances of the University, under the Provisions of Section 30 of the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 135.) No. 218.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for Degrees in Science in Public Health, supplementary to Ordinance, No. 35 (Ordinance, No. 135, *Edinburgh*, No. 23.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 136.) No. 219.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for the *Baxter* Natural and Physical Science Scholarships (Ordinance, No. 136, *Edinburgh* No. 24).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 137.) No. 220.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations as to application of Parliamentary Grants, as to Salaries, and for the institution of a Fee Fund, and for other purposes, supplementary to Ordinances, Nos. 25, 26, 27, and 46 (Ordinance No. 137, General, No. 29).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 138.) No. 221.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Common Bursary Fund (Ordinance, No. 138, *Aberdeen*, No. 28).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 139.) No. 222.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Date of Rectorial Election (Ordinance, No. 139, General, No. 30).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 140.) No. 223.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Revenues of Foundations (Ordinance, No. 140, General, No. 31).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 141.) No. 224.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for Dr. *George Swiney's* Foundation (Ordinance, No. 141, *Edinburgh*, No. 25).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 142.) No. 225.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *M'Lurg* and *Penman* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 142, *Edinburgh*, No. 26).

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 143.) No. 226.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Struthers* and *Leighton* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 143, *Edinburgh*, No. 27).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinances, Nos. 135 to 143), be printed.

Agrarian Outrages (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of the Number of Agrarian Outrages committed in *Ireland* which were reported to the Inspector General of the Royal *Irish* Constabulary during the Quarter ended 31st March 1895.

Education (Ireland.)

Copy of Annual Report of the Commissioners of Education in *Ireland*, for the year 1894.

Irish Land Commission (Judicial Rents.)

Copy of Return according to Provinces and Counties of Judicial Rents fixed by Chief Commission, Sub-Commissions, and Civil Bill Courts, as notified to the *Irish* Land Commission during the Months of January and February 1895, specifying Dates and Amounts respectively of the last Increases of Rent where ascertained; also, Rents fixed upon the Reports of Valuers appointed by the *Irish* Land Commission on the Joint Applications of Landlords and Tenants.

Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices.)

Copy of Return under Section 7 of the Land Law (*Ireland*) Act, 1887, of the Number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in *Ireland* during the Quarter ended the 31st day of March 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

British Seamen Hospitals.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 6th April 1895, directing that the Accounts of the yearly Income and Expenditure of the *British* Seamen Hospitals at *Constantinople* and *Smyrna* shall be examined and audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General.

Egyptian Guaranteed Loan of 1885.

Account, up to 31st March 1895, showing the Total Sums issued from the Consolidated Fund, pursuant to the Act 48 *Vic.* c. 11, in respect of the Annuity of £. 315,000, which was guaranteed by Her Majesty for the purpose of facilitating the raising of a Loan by the Government of *Egypt*, and of the Sums paid in or towards the repayment of any Money so issued.

Superannuation Act, 1887.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 6th April 1895, under the Superannuation Act, 1887, granting a Retiring Allowance to *Francis Dyer*, Clerk, Ordnance Store Department at *Gibraltar*, War Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Financial Relations of Great Britain and Ireland (Royal Commission.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report of the Royal Commission on Financial Relations of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, with Minutes of Evidence, Appendices, &c.

Railway and Canal Traffic Acts, 1873 and 1888.)

Copy of Sixth Annual Report of the Railway and Canal Commission, under the Railway and Canal Traffic Acts, 1873 and 1888, with Appendix, 1894.

Registration Order, 1895.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty dated the 9th day of this instant April for a Return relative to the Registration Order, 1895.

Factory and Workshop Act, 1878 (Lime-washing, &c.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order of the Secretary of State, dated 19th March 1895, granting a special exception as regards Foundries from the requirements of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1878, as to Lime-washing, &c.

Metropolitan Cattle Market.

Accounts of the Corporation of the City of *London* in respect of the Metropolitan Cattle Market for the year 1894; also an Account of Extraordinary Works executed, other than the General Repairs, for the same period.

Polling Districts (County of Lancaster.)

Copy of Order of the County Council of the County Palatine of *Lancaster* redividing the *Prestwich* Parliamentary Division of the County into Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Army (Preliminary Return.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Preliminary Return of the *British* Army, for the year 1894, with Abstracts, &c.

Army (Militia.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of further Regulations relating to the Militia.

Army Reserve.

Copy of further Regulations relating to the Army Reserve.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Land Transfer Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 210.

The Land Transfer Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Tenterden Railway Bill.

Sir *Richard Paget* reported from the Committee on the *Tenterden* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to be consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Business of the House (Mr. Speaker's Retirement) (Queen's Answer to Address.)

Ordered, That the Order for the Committee on Her Majesty's Most Gracious Answer to the Address relative to Mr. Speaker's Retirement have precedence this day of the Notices of Motions.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Mr. Speaker's Retirement.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider Her Majesty's most gracious Answer to the Address of this House of the 9th day of this instant April, relative to the Retirement of the Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*, Speaker of this House.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the annual sum of Four thousand pounds net be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the said Annuity to commence and take effect upon the day upon which the Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*, late Speaker of the House of Commons, ceased to hold the Office of Speaker of the House of Commons, to be settled in the most beneficial manner upon, and to continue during the life of, him the said Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Amendment proposed, in l. 1, to leave out the words "Four thousand," in order to insert the words "One thousand"—(Mr. *Keir-Hardie*),—instead thereof.

Question put, That the words "Four thousand" stand part of the Question:—The Committee proceeded to a Division.

No Second Teller.

Mr. *Keir-Hardie* was appointed a Teller for the Noes, but no Member being willing to act as the second Teller, the Chairman declared that the Ayes had it.

Main Question put, and agreed to.

Resolved, That the annual sum of Four thousand pounds net be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the said annuity to commence and take effect upon the day upon which the Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*, late Speaker of the House of Commons, ceased to hold the office of Speaker of the House of Commons, to be settled in the most beneficial manner upon, and to continue during the life of, him the said Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

A Motion

Charity Commission.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, in order to secure greater Parliamentary control over the work now entrusted to the Charity Commission, and an administration of the same more in harmony with public opinion, the Commission should be reconstituted, and placed as a subordinate department under a Minister of State—(Mr. *John Ellis*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "House," in line 2, to the end of the Question, and adding the words "in view of the fact which "was proved in the evidence that a very large "part of the work of the Charity Commissioners "is of a judicial or *quasi*-judicial character, it "would be contrary to the public interest to "subject the Charity Commission to the direct "control of Parliament, or of a Minister respon-"sible to Parliament, and thereby make it "amenable to political pressure."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, at a quarter before Nine of the clock, without a Question first put, till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 24th April, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

London Street Tramways Bill.

THE *London* Street Tramways Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

York New Water Bill.

The *York* New Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Edinburgh Merchant Company Endowments Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Edinburgh* Merchant Company Endowments Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London County Council (Vauxhall Bridge) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* County Council (*Vauxhall* Bridge) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seventh Report.

University of Saint Andrew's. No. 227.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the University of *Saint Andrew's,* which was presented upon the 23rd day of this instant April, be printed.

University of Saint Andrew's. No. 228.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the University of *Saint Andrew's,* which were presented upon the 23rd day of this instant April, be printed.

Registration Order, 1895. No. 229.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Registration Order, 1895, which was presented upon the 23rd day of this instant April, be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1526.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (*England*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of May next.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of May next.

Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *Tomlinson.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Select Committee.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors (*Ireland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *William Redmond.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *T. W. Russell* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *T. W. Russell,* Mr. *Diamond:*	168.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *William Redmond,* Mr. *T. B. Curran:*	69.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manufactures—(Mr. *T. W. Russell*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Lord *Frederick Hamilton* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Diamond*: } 149.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *William Redmond*, Mr. *T. B. Curran*: } 69.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manufactures;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Diamond*: } 151.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *William Redmond*, Mr. *T. B. Curran*: } 68.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Trade, &c. The Bill was acordingly committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping and Manufactures.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Beer Adulteration Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Return Tickets Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of May next.

Church of Scotland Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of *Scotland* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of May next.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next.

Sport Regulation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant April, That the Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities) (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Parliamentary Elections Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Purchase of Land Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of May next.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of May next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of May next.

Municipal Superannuation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of May next.

Mr.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement (Queen's Answer to Address.)

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on Mr. Speaker's Retirement (Queen's Answer to Address), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the annual Sum of Four thousand pounds net be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the said Annuity to commence and take effect upon the day upon which the Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*, late Speaker of the House of Commons, ceased to hold the Office of Speaker of the House of Commons, to be settled in the most beneficial manner upon, and to continue during the life of, him the said Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. *Mellor*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill.

Bill 211.

Mr. *Mellor* accordingly presented a Bill for settling and securing an Annuity upon the Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel* in consideration of his eminent Services: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Mines (Eight Hours) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next.

House Tax Consolidation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Crofter's Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of May next.

Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of May next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of May next.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of May next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Distress Bill.

(In the Committee.)

New Clause (Unlawful Distress).

Question again proposed, That the Clause be read the second time:—Question put, and agreed to.

Clause added.

Another Clause added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant April, That the Order for the House to resolve into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill, be discharged;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 2nd day of this instant April, That the Larceny Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Grocers' Licences Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grocers' Licences Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 7th day of May next.

Salmon Fisheries (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Salmon Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of May next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2nd day of May next.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Municipal Franchise (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Attorney General be a Member of the Select Committee on the Rule of the Road at Sea—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being after half-past Five of the clock, and Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order for resuming, To-morrow, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of February last, That the Plumbers' Registration Bill be now read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 10th day of May next.

Public Petitions (Sixth Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 8th, 9th, and 22nd days of this instant April, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 25th April, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Edinburgh and District Water Bill.

Rhymney Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Aberdeen Harbour Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Aberdeen* Harbour Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

American Mortgage Company of Scotland Bill [*Lords.*]

The *American* Mortgage Company of *Scotland* Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Brecon and Merthyr Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Brecon* and *Merthyr* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Hayward's Heath Gas Bill.

The *Hayward's Heath* Gas Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

West Highland Railway Bill. [New Title.]

The West Highland Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with a new Title, as followeth:—An Act to confer further powers on the West Highland Railway Company.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the *London* and North Western Railway Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday the 9th day of May next.

Cranbrook District Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Cranbrook* District Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Power to Local Authority, &c. to supply Water in case Company fails to supply) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Waterford and Limerick Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, under the Metropolitan Police Act, 1886, relating to Lands in the Parishes of *Saint Pancras* and *Wimbledon*: And that Mr. *George Russell* and Mr. Secretary *Asquith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill. Bill 212.

Mr. *George Russell* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, under the Metropolitan Police Act, 1886, relating to Lands in the Parishes of *Saint Pancras* and *Wimbledon*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That the Chairman of the Committee on Standing Orders be appointed Chairman of the Committee on the Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill, instead of the Chairman of Ways and Means.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Mr.

Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill [*Lords.*] *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Felixstowe* and *Walton* Water Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered. That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Crystal Palace Company Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Crystal Palace* Company Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill [*Lords.*] *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Heriot's Trust Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Heriot's* Trust Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

New Russia Company Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the New *Russia* Company Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seventh Report.

Lighthouses, &c. (Local Inspections.) No. 230.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports to the Board of Trade by the Trinity House of *Deptford Strond*, the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses, and the Commissioners of *Irish* Lights, of their Inspection of Local Lighthouses, Buoys, and Beacons (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 15, of Session 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Opium (Royal Commission.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Final Report of the Royal Commission, Vol. VI. (Part I., The Report with Annexures), and Vol. VII. (Part II., Historical Appendices, with Index of Witnesses and Subjects, and Glossary of *Indian* terms).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders. No. 231.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders. No. 232.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders. No. 233.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper,

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lunatic Asylums.

The Order made upon the 21st day of March last, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Lunatic Asylums, was read, and discharged.

Lunatic Asylums.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Lunatic Asylums in the United Kingdom and *Ireland* on the 1st day of January 1894 (in continuation of, and in the same form as, Parliamentary Paper, No. 101, of Session 1888, with the addition of a Summary.)—(Dr. *Kenny.*)

Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill [*Lords.*]

Sir *John Mowbray* reported the Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 213.

The Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant April, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to Crofters' Holdings in *Scotland* —(Sir *George Trevelyan*);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be brought in by Sir *George Trevelyan*, the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland*, and Mr. *Munro Ferguson.*

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill. Bill 214.

Sir *George Trevelyan* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Acts relating to Crofters' Holdings in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Local Government (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for Local Government in Counties in *Scotland*, and for other purposes: And that Sir *George Trevelyan*, the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland*, and Mr. *Munro Ferguson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Scotland) Bill. Bill 215.

Sir *George Trevelyan* accordingly presented a Bill to make further provision for Local Government in Counties in *Scotland*, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of March last, That the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Light Railways.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the Construction of Light Railways in *Great Britain:* And that Mr. *Bryce*, Mr. Secretary

Secretary *Asquith*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Herbert Gardner*, and Mr. *Burt* do prepare, and bring it in.

Light Railways Bill. Bill 216. Mr. *Bryce* accordingly presented a Bill to facilitate the Construction of Light Railways in *Great Britain*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 26th April, 1895:

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Documentary Evidence Bill [*Lords.*] The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Documentary Evidence Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Established Church (Wales) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Naval Works Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Land Transfer Bill [*Lords.*] The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Transfer Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Rule of the Road at Sea. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of this instant April, That Mr. Attorney General be a Member of the Select Committee on Rule of the Road at Sea—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Mining Easements Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Easements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Letting of Sporting Rights Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Letting of Sporting Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Architects' Registration Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Architects' Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 6th day of May next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

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Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of May next.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of May next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fires (False Alarms.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the giving False Alarms of Fires: And that Mr. *Conybeare*, Sir *James Joicey*, Mr. *David Thomas*, Mr. *W. F. D. Smith*, Mr. *E. H. Bayley*, Mr. *John Charles Williams*, and Mr. *Havelock Wilson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Post Office Savings Banks.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return arranged according to Counties, showing the Number of Accounts of Depositors in Post Office Savings Banks in the United Kingdom remaining open on the 31st day of December 1894, together with the Amount, inclusive of Interest, but excluding Fractions of a Pound standing to the credit of those Accounts.—(Mr. *Conybeare*.)

Fires (False Alarms) Bill. Bill 217.

Mr. *Conybeare* presented a Bill to prohibit the giving False Alarms of Fires: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 26th April, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Hebden Bridge and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Bray Township Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Bray* Township Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Highland Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Highland Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* and South Western Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill.

The Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seventh Report.

Evictions (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of the Number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings, which have come to the knowledge of the Constabulary, and also of the Number of Tenancies determined in the Quarter ended 31st March 1895, showing:—

(Table I.) Actual Evictions under the provisions of the Land Law Act, 1887, and other Processes of Law.

(Table II.) The Number of Tenancies determined under Section 7 of the Land Law Act, 1887, and under other Processes of Law.

(Table III.) The Number of Evictions, not at Suit of the Landlord, for Debt, Foreclosure of Mortgage, &c.

County Treasurer's Fee Fund (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account in charge and discharge of Fees on County Treasurer's Accounts received by the Local Government Board for *Ireland* for the year ended 25th March 1895, pursuant to 1st *Vic.* c. 54, s. 19.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Judicial Statistics (England and Wales.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Judicial Statistics for *England* and *Wales*, for the year 1893. Part I. (Criminal Statistics); with Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Secretary of State to revise the Criminal portion of the Judicial Statistics.

Polling Districts (Swansea.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Town Council of the Borough of *Swansea* dividing the Parliamentary and

and Municipal Borough of *Swansea* into Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Engines and Boilers of Ships.) No. 234.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Tables of Horse Powers, Weights, &c., of Engines and Boilers of certain Ships of the Royal Navy.

Mr. *Edmund Robertson* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Factories and Workshops [Expenses.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any expense incurred in any special inquiries and re-examinations by certifying surgeons under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to amend and extend the Law relating to Factories and Workshops—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith*);

Mr. Secretary *Asquith*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Standing Committees (Chairmen's Panel.)

Trade, &c.

Sir *Julian Goldsmid* reported from the Chairmen's Panel; That they had appointed Mr. *Stuart-Wortley* to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, in the place of Sir *Julian Goldsmid*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Selection (Standing Committees.)

Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures: Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman*, Mr. *Everett*, Sir *John Hibbert*, Mr. *T. P. O'Connor*, Sir *George Trevelyan*, and Mr. *Stephen Williamson*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Secretary *Asquith*, Mr. *John Burns*, Mr. *Byles*, Sir *Joseph Leigh*, Mr. *George Russell*, and Mr. *Tennant*.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures the following Fifteen Members, in respect of the Factories and Workshops Bill: Mr. *Albert Bright*, Mr. *Sydney Buxton*, Mr. *Cohen*, Mr. *Crean*, Sir *Charles Dilke*, Dr. *Farquharson*, Sir *Alfred Hickman*, Sir *Benjamin Hingley*, Sir *Henry James*, Mr. *Matthews*, Mr. *Walter M'Laren*, Mr. *T. H. Sidebottom*, Mr. *Whiteley*, Mr. *William Williams*, and Mr. *Woods*.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the exemption of Government "property from rating is wrong in principle and "unjust in its operation to the local authorities "and to the general body of ratepayers, and "ought to be terminated by legislation placing "such property on an equality for rating pur-"poses with that of other ratepayers"—(Sir *Albert Rollit*),—instead thereof.

Rating of Government Property.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 65

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Pickersgill*: } 64.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

And Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, at a quarter before Eight of the clock, without a Question first put, till Monday next.

Monday, 29th April, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order, No. 62, has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Dublin United Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills. (Standing Orders complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders have been complied with, *viz.*:—

London County Council (Money) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Barry Railway Bill.

Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bills (Petition for additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing

Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Uxbridge and *Rickmansworth* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Cranbrook District Water Bill.

The *Cranbrook* District Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Edinburgh Merchant Company Endowments Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Edinburgh* Merchant Company Endowments Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill [*Lords.*]

The Legal and General Life Assurance Society Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

[New Title.]

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with a New Title, as followeth:—An Act to empower the *London* County Council to make Street Improvements and to purchase Lands for various purposes; to make provisions with respect to Contributions by Local Authorities; the formation of Wards in Parishes and the Management of Parks; to authorise the grant of a Pension to the Chairman of Quarter Sessions for the County of *London*; and the payment of Compensation in certain cases, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London County Council (Vauxhall Bridge) Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *London* County Council (*Vauxhall* Bridge) Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken that the interest of the Prince of *Wales*, as Duke of *Cornwall*, is concerned therein;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

New Russia Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The New *Russia* Company Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Waterford and Limerick Railway Bill.

The *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Aire* and *Calder* Navigation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels) Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Fishguard* and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Poole Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Poole* Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Dover Undercliff Reclamation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Chelsea Water Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Order made upon the 25th day of February last, That the *Chelsea* Water Bill be committed, be read, and discharged—(Mr. *James Stuart*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Harry Lawson*: } 163.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Boulnois*, Mr. *Whitmore*: } 129.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Select Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill, and the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That, subject to the Rules, Orders, and Proceedings of this House, all Petitions against the said Bill be referred to the said Committee, and that such of the Petitioners as pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, Agents, or Witnesses, be heard upon their Petitions against the Bill, if they think fit, and Counsel heard in support of the said Bill against such Petitions.—(Mr. *James Stuart.*)

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill and Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

Mr. *Baldwin*, Mr. *Burnie*, Mr. *Muntz*, and Mr. *Philip Stanhope* were nominated Members of the Select Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill and the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No 3.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bradford-on-Avon*, *Caerphilly*, *Higham Ferrers*, *Pocklington*, *Pontypridd*, *Saint George*, *South Stoneham*, *Tavistock*, and *Upton-upon-Severn*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill. Bill 218.

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bradford-on-Avon*, *Caerphilly*, *Higham Ferrers*, *Pocklington*, *Pontypridd*, *Saint George*, *South Stoneham*, *Tavistock*, and *Upton-upon-Severn*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Seventh Report.

Explosives.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Nineteenth Annual Report

Report of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives, being for the year 1894.

Explosions (Malago Vale Colliery, Bristol.)

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State by *Joseph S. Martin*, Esquire, Her Majesty's Inspector of Mines, on the circumstances attending the Explosion which occurred at *Malago Vale* Colliery, *Bristol*, on the 15th March 1895.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Copy of Report by Mr. *R. Henry Rew* (Assistant Commissioner, Royal Commission on Agriculture) on *North Devon*.

Churches (City of London.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty dated the 2nd day of August in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Number of Churches in the City of *London* pulled down or now condemned under the Union of Benefices Act, 1860, since the date of the Return, No. 221, printed 11th day of June 1879, stating the Gross Sum realised by the Sale of the Site, the items of Expenses, such as Lawyers' and Auctioneers' Charges, and the Cost of Removal of the Dead buried within the Church, and the nett Sum produced,; what new Churches have been built out of the proceeds in lieu of the Churches pulled down, their Situation and Cost; and what has been done with the Parochial Endowments.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Charitable Endowments (London.)

No. 235.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of August in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relative to Charitable Endowments (*London*).

Thames Conservancy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—General Report of the Conservators of the River *Thames*, from the 1st of January 1894 to the 31st December 1894, with a Statement of the Accounts of the Conservators, for the year ended 31st December 1894.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Charitable Endowments (*London*) be printed.

Cyprus.

Ordered, that there be laid before this House, a Return (1) of all Sums paid in each year since the year 1879–80 by direction of Her Majesty's Government, out of Moneys arising from the Revenues of *Cyprus*, in discharge of the Interest upon the *Turkish* Loan guaranteed by this Country under the Statute 18 & 19 *Vic.* c. 99; and (2) of all Sums voted by Parliament during the same period in aid of the administration of *Cyprus*.—(Sir *George Baden-Powell*.)

Charity Commission (Committee of the Treasury.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Treasury, 1893 (presided over by Sir *Robert Hamilton*), to inquire into the Department of the Charity Commission.—(Mr. *James William Lowther*.)

Weaver Navigation (No. 1) Bill, and Weaver Navigation (No. 2) Bill (*consolidated into* Weaver Navigation Bill.)

Mr. *Stuart* reported from the Committee on the *Weaver* Navigation (No. 1) Bill, and *Weaver* Navigation (No. 2) Bill; That, in the case of the *Weaver* Navigation (No. 1) Bill, and the *Weaver* Navigation (No. 2) Bill, they had, pursuant to the Instruction of the House of the 9th day of this instant April, consolidated the said Bills into one Bill, "to substitute for the existing Trustees of the River *Weaver* Navigation a representative Trust, and to transfer to such representative Trust the powers and duties of the existing Trustees, and to repeal and amend certain provisions of the Acts relating to the River *Weaver*."

Mr. *Stuart* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preambles of the Bills so consolidated, and amended the same so as to make them consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the Preamble, so consolidated and amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Business of the House (Government Business.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, for the remainder of the Session, Government Business do have priority on Tuesday, that on Friday the House do meet at Two of the clock, and that the provisions of Standing Order 56 be extended to Tuesday and the Morning Sitting on Friday—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	252.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Seton-Karr*, Mr. *Gibson Bowles*:	230.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Business of the House (Committee of Supply.)

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,416,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Contract Work for Shipbuilding and Repairs, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A. (Propelling Machinery for Her Majesty's Ships) be reduced by £. 100,000) —(Mr. *Forwood*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received Tomorrow.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 30*th April*, 1895:

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Distress Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant April, That the Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill be discharged;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Transfer Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Transfer Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Factories and Workshops [Expenses.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Factories and Workshops [Expenses]; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 3, agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

House Tax Consolidation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of this instant April, That Mr. Attorney General be a Member of the Select Committee on the Rule of the Road at Sea;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Shop Hours Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Hypothec (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hypothec (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

The

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of May next.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of May next.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of May next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 12, by leaving out the words "it is agreed in writing that."—(Mr. *Lambert*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being after Midnight, and Objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of May next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of May next.

Mining Easements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Easements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next.

Architects' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Architects' Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of May next.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of May next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Acts Extension Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Acts Extension Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of May next.

Religious Opinions (Prosecutions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Opinions (Prosecutions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 16th day of May next.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 16th day of May next.

Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Compulsory Sale (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 16th day of May next.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Municipal Franchise (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 30*th April*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Petition for additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.* :—

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Private Bill Petitions (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.* :—

National Life Assurance Society and Mutual Life Assurance Society (Amalgamation) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Highland Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Highland Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with a New Title, as followeth:—

[New Title.] An Act to confer further powers on the Highland Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Liverpool New Cattle Market and Railways Bill.

The *Liverpool* New Cattle Market and Railways Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *London* and South Western Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of the Prince of *Wales*, as Duke of *Cornwall*, is concerned therein;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House, that His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Felixstowe* and *Walton* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Tenterden Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Tenterden* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Edinburgh and District Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Edinburgh* and District Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Rhymney Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Rhymney* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eighth Report.

Churches (City of London.) No. 236.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Churches (City of *London*), which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant April, be printed.

Thames Conservancy. No. 237.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the *Thames* Conservancy, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant April, be printed.

Education (England and Wales) (Evening Schools.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Code of Regulations for Evening Continuation Schools for 1895, with Explanatory Memorandum, Schedule, and Appendices by the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Public Income and Expenditure.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Gross Public Income and Expenditure in the year ended 31st March 1895, together with the Balances in the Exchequer at the commencement and at the termination of the year, and the Amounts received into or issued from the Exchequer in respect of Funded and Unfunded Debt created or redeemed in the said year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Education (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return showing, (1.) The Expenditure from the Grant for Public Education in *Scotland* in the year 1894, upon Annual Grants to Elementary Schools; and (2.) The actual Number of Elementary Schools on the Annual Grant List, &c., and the Results of the Inspection and Examination of Elementary Schools during the year ended 30th September 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1527, 1528, and 1529.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 356.

Africa (No. 4, 1895.)

Copy of Correspondence respecting the Retirement of the Imperial *British East Africa* Company.

Africa (No. 5, 1895.)

Copy of Report on the Revenue and Administration of *Zanzibar* in 1894.

Africa (No. 6, 1895.)

Copy of Correspondence respecting Slavery in *Zanzibar*.

Africa (No. 7, 1895.)

Copy of Papers relating to *Uganda*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Temporary Laws. No. 238.

The following Paper, pursuant to the Report of the Select Committee on Expiring Laws, in Session 1866, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Register of Temporary Laws for the Fourth Session of the Twenty-fifth Parliament of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* (58 *Vic.*) (1894.)

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach) Bill.

Mr. *De Tatton Egerton* reported the *London* County Council (*Tower* Bridge Southern Approach), with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Dorset (Western Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Dorset* (Western Division), in the room of *Henry Richard Farquharson*, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas.*)

Selection (Standing Committees.)

Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures: Mr. *Arch*, Mr. *Blake*, Mr. *Boord*, Baron *Henry De Worms*, Mr. *Walter Long*, Sir *Richard Paget*, Mr. *Power*, Mr. *Roche*, Mr. *Round*, and Mr. *Charles Wilson*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *William Allen*, Mr. *Michael Austin*, Sir *James Fergusson*, Sir *John Gorst*, Mr. *Charles Hobhouse*, Mr. *E. J. C. Morton*, Mr. *Renshaw*, Mr. *Seton-Karr*, Mr. *Philip Stanhope*, and Mr. *Wyndham*.

Orderd, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Grand Junction Canal (Warwick Canals Amalgamation.)

1. That, in the case of the Grand Junction Canal (*Warwick* Canals Amalgamation) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

2. That, in the case of the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

3. That in the case of the *Bridlington* and *Quay* Water Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

Clonmel Corporation Bill.

4. That, in the case of the *Clonmel* Corporation Bill, Petition of *Robert Malcolmson* for dispensing with Standing Order 129 in the case of his Petition against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought not to be dispensed with.

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

5. That, in the case of the Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

The first three Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Grand Junction Canals (Warwick Canals Amalgamation) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the Petition for leave to bring in the Grand Junction Canal (*Warwick* Canals Amalgamation) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Amalgamation of the *Warwick* and *Birmingham*, the *Warwick* and *Napton*, and the *Birmingham* and *Warwick* Junction Canal Navigations with the Undertaking of the Company of Proprietors of the Grand Junction Canal, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Vicary Gibbs* and Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen* do prepare, and bring it in.

Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next.

Prohibited Persons (Drink.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower Magistrates to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Persons previously convicted of Drunkenness: And that Mr. *Bill*, Mr. *Wharton*, and Captain *Bowles* do prepare, and bring it in.

Prohibited Persons (Drink) Bill. Bill 219.

Mr. *Bill* accordingly presented a Bill to empower Magistrates to prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Persons previously convicted of Drunkenness: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of May next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit Plural Voting at Parliamentary Elections, and to provide for taking the Polls at a Parliamentary Election on One Day, and for purposes consequential thereon: And that Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, Mr. Secretary *Asquith*, and Sir *Walter Foster* do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill. Bill 220.

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit Plural Voting at Parliamentary Elections, and to provide for taking the Polls at a Parliamentary Election on One Day, and for purposes consequential thereon: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Wednesday, 1*st May*, 1895:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Mr.

Supply [29th April] Report.

Mr. *Edmund Robertson* reported from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

Shipbuilding and Repairs (Contract Work.)

Sec. 3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,416,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Contract Work for Shipbuilding and Repairs, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Factories and Workshops [Expenses.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Factories and Workshops [Expenses];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill.

Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of April last, That Mr. Attorney General be a Member of the Select Committee on Rule of the Road at Sea—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1894, so far as regards the Transfer of any Stock, Share, or Security standing in the Name of or Dividends payable to a Local Authority: And that Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, Sir *Walter Foster*, and Mr. *Thomas Ellis* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) Bill. Bill 221.

Mr. *Thomas Ellis* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1894, so far as regards the Transfer of any Stock, Share, or Security standing in the Name of or Dividends payable to a Local Authority: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Criminal Law Procedure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law Procedure Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

School Board for London Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 29th day of April last, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; and which Amendment was, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "it is "agreed in writing that"—(Mr. *Lambert*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 1st *May*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Crystal Palace Company Bill [*Lords.*]

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the *Crystal Palace* Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Heriot's Trust Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Heriot*'s Trust Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd Gas Board Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered,

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm Two Provisional Orders made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, and the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of the Township of *Blackrock:* And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

Bill 222.

Mr. *John Morley* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm Two Provisional Orders made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, and the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of the Township of *Blackrock:* And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Vide Eighth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Income and Expenditure.

No. 239.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Public Income and Expenditure, which was presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

East India (Government of India.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the Government of *India*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Gas Companies (Metropolis.)

Mr. *Bryce* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of the Metropolitan Gas Companies, for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Metropolitan Police.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts showing the Sums received and expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Police, the Police Pension Fund, and the Metropolitan Police Courts, between 1st April 1894 and 31st March 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Patriotic Fund.

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-third Report of the Royal Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Cyprus.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of April last, for a Return relative to *Cyprus*.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *Walter M'Laren* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure—(Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton*, Sir *Charles Hall:*	254.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *William Allen*, Mr. *Charles Shaw:*	38.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Law, &c.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *T. W. Russell* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question;

And, it being half an hour after Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Wednesday next.

Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of this instant May.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Tied Houses Tenants Contracts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tied Houses Tenants Contracts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of this instant May.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of this instant May.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Old Age Provident Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Old Age Provident Pensions Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of this instant May.

The

Out-door Provident Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Provident Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of this instant May.

Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of this instant May.

Special Juries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Special Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of this instant May.

Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill.

The Order of the day, being read, for the Second Reading of the Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of this instant May.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of this instant May.

Church of Scotland Reference Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of *Scotland* Reference Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Game Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Game Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant May.

Old Age Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Old Age Pensions Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May.

Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Office Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* Office Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 16th day of this instant May.

Agricultural Holdings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Beer Adulteration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of this instant May.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of April last, That the Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 17th day of this instant May.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Letting of Sporting Rights Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Letting of Sporting Rights Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant May.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day, being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 16th day of this instant May.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill. [*Lords.*]

The Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill, be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To morrow.

House Tax Consolidation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 24th day of April last, That Mr. Attorney General be a Member of the Select Committee on Rule of the Road at Sea;

And the Question being put:—It was re-resolved in the Affirmative.

Sir *George Baden-Powell*, Mr. *Blake*, the Marquess of *Carmarthen*, Mr. *Cayzer*, Sir *Francis Evans*, Admiral *Field*, Mr. *Penrose FitzGerald*, Sir *James Kitson*, Mr. *Moorsom*, Mr. *Joseph Richardson*, Mr. *Roby*, Mr. *Parker Smith*, Sir *Richard Webster*, and Mr. *Stephen Williamson* were nominated other Members of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Steam Engines (Persons in Charge) Bill.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Steam Engines (Persons in Charge) Bill do consist of Seventeen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *William Allan*, Mr. *Brunner*, Mr. *Fenwick*, Mr. *Gourley*, Mr. *Laurence Hardy*, Mr. *Heath*, Sir *Alfred Hickman*, Sir *Edward Hill*, Sir *Benjamin Hingley*, Sir *James Joicey*, Sir *Seymour King*, Mr. *Wilson Lloyd*, Mr. *Paulton*, Mr. *Renshaw*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*), Mr. *Woods*, and Mr. *Wrightson*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

Public Petitions (Seventh Report.)

Mr. *Biddulph* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, and 29th days of April last, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 2nd *May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

London County Tramways Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* County Tramways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Grand Junction Canal (Warwick Canals Amalgamation) Bill.

A Bill for the amalgamation of the *Warwick* and *Birmingham*, the *Warwick* and *Napton*, and the *Birmingham* and *Warwick* Junction Canal Navigations with the Undertaking of the Company of Proprietors of the Grand Junction Canal, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eighth Report.

Gas Companies (Metropolis.) No. 240.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Gas Companies (Metropolis), which were presented upon the 1st day of this instant May, be printed.

Ordered,

Metropolitan Police. No. 241.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Metropolitan Police, which were presented upon the 1st day of this instant May, be printed.

Cyprus. No. 242.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Cyprus*, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant May, be printed.

East India (Estimate.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented, pursuant to the directions of the several Acts of Parliament, —Estimate of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Government of *India*, for 1894-95, compared with the Results of 1893-94.

East India (Finance and Revenue Accounts.)

Copy of the Finance and Revenue Accounts of the Government of *India* for 1893-94.

East India (Home Accounts.)

Home Accounts of the Government of *India*:—1. An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the Government of *India*, from 1st April 1893 to 31st March 1894:—2. Report of the Auditor upon the *Indian* Home Accounts, from 1st April 1893 to 31st March 1894, prepared and submitted to Parliament and to the Secretary of State in Council, in pursuance of 52nd section of Act 21 & 22 *Vic.* c. 106:—3. Report of the Auditor of the *Indian* Home Accounts on the Stores Accounts, from 1st April 1893 to 31st March 1894, prepared and submitted to Parliament and to the Secretary of State in Council, in pursuance of 52nd section of Act 21 & 22 *Vic.* c. 106:—4. Statement of the Net Expenditure and Receipts incurred on Account of the Royal *Indian* Engineering College during the year ended 31st March 1894:—5. Account of the Charges and Receipts in respect of the *Indian* Troop Service during the year ended 31st March 1894:—6. Comparison of the Estimated and Actual Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the Government of *India* for the year 1893-94:—7. Estimated Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the Government of *India* from 1st April 1894 to 31st March 1895:—8. Statement showing New or increased Salaries, or Pensions granted or created in *England* between 1st April 1894 and 31st March 1895:—9. Account showing the Total Amount of *Indian* Debt raised in *England*, the Annual Charge thereof, and the *Indian* Railway Annuities, on the 31st March 1894, the Debt and Charge created in the year ended 31st March 1895; the Debt and Charge reduced in that year; and the Total Amount of Debt, the Annual Charge thereof, and the *Indian* Railway Annuities on the 31st March 1895:—10. List of the Establishment of the Secretary of State in Council of *India*; and Estimate of the Amount required in the year ending 31st March 1896 to pay the Salaries and other Expenses of the *India* Office and of the Office of the Auditor of the Accounts of the Secretary of State in Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Education (Science and Art Schools.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Directory of the Department of Science and Art, for the year 1895, with Regulations for establishing and conducting Science and Art Schools and Classes.

Technical Instruction Act, 1889.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copies of Minutes by the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Council on Education, sanctioning the subjects to be taught under Clause 8 of the Technical Instruction Act, 1889, for the following Counties and County Borough:—

County of *Durham* (Fourth Minute), dated 30th March 1895;

County Borough of *Grimsby* (Third Minute), dated 30th March 1895;

County of *Leicester* (Sixth Minute), dated 20th April 1895;

County of *Chester* (Fifth Minute), dated 25th April 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1530.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Annual Reports for 1893-94, Nos. 133 (*British Guiana*) and 134 (*Jamaica*); and for 1893, No. 135 (*Newfoundland*).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed, and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Bridlington* and *Quay* Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the clauses of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true, and had made provision in the Bill, pursuant to a Resolution of the 30th day of April, and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Norden Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Norden* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out the recitals relating to running powers and working agreements to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Saint Leonard's-on-Sea and Hollington Parishes Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Saint Leonard's-on-Sea* and *Hollington* Parishes Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Commons (Castor and Ailsworth Open Fields.) No. 243.

Sir *Arthur Hayter* reported from the Select Committee on Commons; That they have considered the Report of the Board of Agriculture certifying the expediency of a Provisional Order for the Inclosure of the *Castor* and *Ailsworth* open Fields and Commons, and are of opinion that the same ought to be confirmed by Parliament without modification.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Financial Statement (1895-96.) No. 244.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statement of Revenue and Expenditure as laid before the House by the Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House. That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

London (Boundary Street, Bethnal Green) Provisional Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London (Boundary Street, Bethnal Green)* Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Bill, without Amendment.

Newmarket Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Newmarket* Gas Bill, without Amendment.

East Indian Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *East Indian* Railway Bill, with Amendments: to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

North Staffordshire Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the North *Staffordshire* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further powers upon the *Rhondda* and *Swansea Bay* Railway Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Rhondda* and *Swansea Bay* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Cruelty to Animals (Scotland) Act (1850) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Cruelty to Animals (*Scotland*) Act, 1850: And that the Lord Advocate, Sir *George Trevelyan*, Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland*, and Mr. *Munro Ferguson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cruelty to Animals (Scotland) Act (1850) Amendment Bill.

Bill 223.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Cruelty to Animals (*Scotland*) Act, 1850: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Tea.

1. *Resolved*, That the Duties of Customs now chargeable upon Tea shall continue to be charged and levied on and after the First day of August, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, until the First day of August, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, on the importation thereof into *Great Britain* or *Ireland* (that is to say):—

Tea - - - the pound - Four Pence.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Income Tax.

2. *Resolved*, That there shall be charged, collected, and paid for the twelve months which began on the Sixth day of April, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, in respect of all Property, Profits, and Gains respectively described or comprised in the several Schedules (A), (B), (C), (D), and (E), in the Income Tax Act, 1853, the following Duties of Income Tax (that is to say):—

For every Twenty Shillings of the annual value or amount of Property, Profits, and Gains chargeable under Schedules (A.), (C.), (D.), or (E.), the Duty of Eight Pence; and

For every Twenty Shillings of the annual value of the occupation of Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Heritages chargeable under Schedule (B.) the Duty of Three Pence.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Stamps.

3. *Resolved*, That the Exemption from Stamp Duty in favour of the receipts described in the exemption numbered eight, under the head "Receipt," in the First Schedule to the Stamp Act, 1891, shall cease to be allowed, and that there shall be charged for the use of Her Majesty upon every such receipt the stamp duty of One Penny.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Amendment of Law.

4. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the Customs and Inland Revenue.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood Adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day at Two of the clock.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Distress Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed

posed upon the 8th day of April last, That the Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill, be discharged—(Mr. Attorney General);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Transfer Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Transfer Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Terms for redemption by Treasury of their contribution to guarantee).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, to leave out the words "thirty-three and a third," in order to insert the word "thirty."—(Mr. *Strachey.*)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 3 and N° 4, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day, at Two of the clock.

Factories and Workshops [Expenses.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Factories and Workshops [Expenses].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any expense incurred in any special inquiries and re-examinations by certifying surgeons under the provisions of any Act of the present Session to amend and extend the Law relating to Factories and Workshops.—(Sir *John Hibbert.*)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day, at Two of the clock.

Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill [*Lords.*]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Land Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported. That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day, at Two of the clock.

Sunday Closing (Wales) Act (1881) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sunday Closing (*Wales*) Act (1881) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of June next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 16th day of this instant May.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

The Fires (False Alarms) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 14th day of this instant May.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of April last, That the Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 15th day of this instant May.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 3rd day of June next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jackson* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee of Public Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Thornton* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 3rd *May*, 1895

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill [*Lords*.]

THE *Felixstowe* and *Walton* Water Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Chelsea Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Chelsea* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

East London Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East *London* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Kent Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Kent* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

New River Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *New River* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the West *Middlesex* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

North British Railway Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *North British* Railway Bill that they may provide, if they think fit, notwithstanding Standing Order 163 of this House, that the respective undertakings of the *Kirkcaldy* District Railway Company and of the *East Fife* Railway Company may be vested in the *North British* Railway Company—(Dr. *Farquharson*);

And, Objection being taken, Further Proceeding stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed upon Tuesday next.

Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill.

The Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eighth Report.

East India (Estimate.) No. 245.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Estimate), which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant May, be printed.

East India (Home Accounts.) No. 246.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Home Accounts), which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant May, be printed.

Dublin Metropolitan Police.

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistical Tables of the *Dublin* Metropolitan Police for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Register of Voters in Burghs and Populous Places in *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Baird*, Sir *Charles Cameron*, Captain *Sinclair*, Sir *John Leng*, Mr. *Parker Smith*, and Mr. *William Whitelaw* do prepare, and bring it in.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill. Bill 224.

Mr. *Baird* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Register of Voters in Burghs and Populous Places in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Naval Works Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Naval Works Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Power for Admiralty to construct Scheduled Works).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, after the words "Such lands," to insert the words "as "they deem necessary for the whole of such "work if and when completed."—(Sir *George Baden Powell*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Issue of Money out of Consolidated Fund for expenses of Scheduled Works).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 9, to leave out the word "executing," in order to insert the

the words, "commencing or advancing during "the financial year ending April, One thousand "eight hundred and ninety-six."—(Lord *George Hamilton.*)

Question proposed, That the word "ex-"ecuting" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words, "during "the financial year ending April, One thousand "eight hundred and ninety-six."—(Lord *George Hamilton.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Restrictions on applications of money issued).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15, after the word "money," to insert the words, "together "with the statement of a fixed date by which the "work or portion of work therein provided for "shall be completed."—(Sir *George Baden Powell.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 16, to leave out Sub-section (2).—(Mr. *Tomlinson.*)

Question proposed, That the words of the Sub-section to the word "unless," in l. 18, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18, to leave out from the word "Schedule" to the end of the Clause.—(Sir *Albert Rollit.*)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 5 to N° 7, agreed to.

New Clause (Annual Account to be laid before Parliament)—(Lord *George Hamilton*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

New Clause (Summary of Contracts to be laid before Parliament)—(Mr. *Forwood*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

New Clause (Plans of Contract work to be laid before Parliament)—(Mr. *Forwood*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule:

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 21, to leave out the words "*Portland* | Breakwater | 90,000."—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles.*)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	283.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Gibson Bowles*, Mr. *Lough*:	9.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 25, in the left-hand column, to leave out the word "*Haulbowline.*"—(Captain *Donelan.*)

Question proposed, That the word "*Haul-"bowline*" stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

And, it being ten minutes to Seven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means [2nd May] Report.

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Tea.

1. That the Duties of Customs now chargeable upon Tea shall continue to be charged and levied on and after the First day of August, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, until the First day of August, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, on the importation thereof into *Great Britain* or *Ireland* (that is to say):—

Tea - - - the pound - Four Pence.

Income Tax.

2. That there shall be charged, collected, and paid for the Twelve Months which began on the Sixth day of April, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, in respect of all Property, Profits, and Gains respectively described or comprised in the several Schedules (A), (B), (C), (D), and (E), in the Income Tax Act, 1853, the following Duties of Income Tax (that is to say):—

For every Twenty Shillings of the annual value or amount of Property, Profits, and Gains chargeable under Schedules (A.), (C.), (D.), or (E.), the Duty of Eight Pence; and

For every Twenty Shillings of the annual value of the occupation of Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Heritages chargeable under Schedule (B.) the Duty of Three Pence.

Stamps.

3. That the Exemption from Stamp Duties in favour of the Receipts described in the Exemption numbered Eight, under the Head "Receipt," in the First Schedule to the Stamp Act, 1891, shall cease to be allowed, and that there shall be charged for the use of Her Majesty upon every such Receipt the Stamp Duty of One Penny.

Amendment of Law.

4. That it is expedient to amend the Law relating to the Customs and Inland Revenue.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Finance.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Mellor*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Factories and Workshops [Expenses.]

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee on Factories and Workshops [Expenses], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any

any Expense incurred in any Special Inquiries and Re-examinations by Certifying Surgeons under the Provisions of any Act of the present Session to amend and extend the Law relating to Factories and Workshops.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Edinburgh Merchant Company Endowments Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Edinburgh* Merchant Company Endowments Bill, without Amendment.

Wirral Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the *Wirral* Railway Company to make a Railway and other Works near *Seacombe*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for conferring further Powers upon the Great Western Railway Company in respect of their own Undertaking, and upon that Company and the *London* and North Western Railway Company in respect of Undertakings in which they are jointly interested, and upon the Great Western Railway Company and the *Lambourn Valley* Railway Company in respect of the Undertaking of that Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

South Eastern Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers on the South Eastern Railway Company in reference to their own Undertaking and the Undertakings of other Companies, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Wirral Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Wirral* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

South Eastern Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The South Eastern Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Leicester Writs. No. 247.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* reported from the Select Committee on *Leicester* Writs; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the Treasury to guarantee the interest on certain Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a Sum of Money to that Company, and of authorising the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those moneys are insufficient out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums as may be necessary for those purposes.—(Sir *John Hibbert*).

Sir *John Hibbert*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Evening Sitting.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Duke of Coburg's Annuity.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the Act of 36 and 37 *Vic.* c. 80, "granting an Annuity of £. 10,000 to H.R.H. "the Duke of *Edinburgh* having provided that, "in the event of His said Royal Highness succeeding to any sovereignty or principality "Abroad, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty or "Her successors, with the consent of Parliament, to revoke or reduce the said Annuity by "Warrant under the Sign Manual, and his "Royal Highness having succeeded to the "sovereignty of a Foreign Country, in the "opinion of this House it is desirable that the "said annuity cease"—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	193.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Alpheus Morton*. Mr. *Labouchere*:	72.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out all the words after the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "no Bill to amend the "Fisheries Acts will be satisfactory which does "not exempt from penalty any fisherman or "fishermen who, in the pursuit of his or their "calling at sea, may take salmon at the distance "of a mile or more from the nearest shore at "high-water mark."—(Dr. *MacGregor*.)

And the Question being proposed That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Saturday, 4th May, 1895:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Compulsory Sale (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 17th day of this instant May.

Street Music Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Street Music Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of this instant May.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Criminal Law Procedure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law Procedure Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 29th day of April last, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; and which Amendment was, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "it is agreed in writing that"—(Mr. *Lambert*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Agricultural Holdings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Steam Engines (Persons in Charge) Bill.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Steam Engines (Persons in Charge) Bill do consist of Nineteen Members.

Ordered, That Major *Darwin* and Mr. *Havelock Wilson* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill.

The Select Committee on Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill was nominated of Mr. *Ainsworth*, Mr. *Albert Bright*, Mr. *Burt*, Mr. *Cremer*, Mr. *Heath*, Mr. *Hopwood*, Mr. *Jacks*, Sir *James Joicey*, Mr. *Scott Montagu*, Mr. *Pierpoint*, Mr. *Brooke Robinson*, Mr. *Charles Shaw*, and Mr. *Stuart-Wortley*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Payment of Wages Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Payment of Wages Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Perjury Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order for resuming, upon Monday next, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of April last, That the Order, That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill, be discharged, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Monday next, on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That leave be given to present another Bill instead thereof.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill. Bill 225.

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1894, so far as regards the Transfer of any Stock, Share, or Security standing in the name of or Dividends payable to a Local Authority: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 6th May, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 61 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 61 has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Derry City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Rhondda and *Swansea Bay* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Crystal Palace Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Crystal Palace* Company Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Heriot's Trust Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Heriot's* Trust Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

London County Tramways Bill.

The *London* County Tramways Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Saint Leonard's-on-Sea and Hollington Parishes Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Saint Leonard's-on-Sea* and *Hollington* Parishes Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Tenterden Railway Bill.

[New Title.]

The *Tenterden* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with a New Title, as followeth:—An Act to authorise the construction of Railways from *Headcorn* to *Tenterden* and *Appledore*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Weaver Navigation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Weaver* Navigation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Barry Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Barry* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Dublin United Tramways Bill.

The *Dublin* United Tramways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London County Council (Money) Bill.

The *London* County Council (Money) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Vale of Glamorgan Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Chelsea Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Chelsea* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

East London Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East *London* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

Kent Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Kent* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

New River Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *New River* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the West *Middlesex* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

Standing Orders.

The House was moved, That the Standing Order 157, relative to Reports of Public Departments, might be read; and the same was read, as followeth:

Reports of Public Departments.

157. Every Committee on a Railway Bill shall report specially to the House,—

Whether any Report from any Public Department in regard to the Bill, or the objects thereof, has been referred by the House to the Committee; and, if so, in what manner the several recommendations contained in such Report have been dealt with by the Committee:

Crossing Railways, &c. on a level.

Whether it be intended that the Railway shall cross on a level any Railway, Tramway, Tramroad, or highway:

Other circumstances.

And any other circumstances which, in the opinion of the Committee, it is desirable that the House should be informed of.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Standing Order be amended by inserting after the word "Committee," at the end of the first sub-section, the words "and whether any communication has been received from the Board of Trade in regard to the Bill, or the objects thereof, of which in the opinion of the Committee it is desirable that the House should be informed"—(Mr. *Dodd*);

And a Debate arising thereupon; and, the Motion being opposed, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed Tomorrow.

Central Ireland Railway Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Central *Ireland* Railway Bill that they may provide, if they think fit, notwithstanding Standing Order 163 of this House, that the undertaking of the *Kilkenny* Junction Railway Company may be vested in the *Waterford* and Central *Ireland* Railway Company. (Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to *Banff*, *Bognor*, *Dunoon*, *Swanage*, and *Whitehills*: And that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Inclosure (Castor and Ailsworth) Provisional Order.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Board of Agriculture relating to the Inclosure of certain Lands in the Parishes of *Castor* and *Ailsworth*, in the county of *Northampton*: And that Mr. *Herbert Gardner* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local

Local Government Board relating to *Cardiff*, *Clitheroe*, *Luton*, and *Portsmouth*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board, under the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, relating to *Birmingham*, *Limehouse* District (*London*), and *Southampton*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Order (Gas.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board, under the Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870, and the Public Health Act, 1875, relating to *Saint Ives*, *Cornwall*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill. Bill 226.

Mr. *Burt* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under theGeneral Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to *Banff*, *Bognor*, *Dunoon*, *Swanage*, and *Whitehills*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Inclosure (Castor and Ailsworth) Provisional Order Bill. Bill 227.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Board of Agriculture relating to the Inclosure of certain Lands in the Parishes of *Castor* and *Ailsworth*, in the County of *Northampton*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill. Bill 228.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Cardiff*, *Clitheroe*, *Luton*, and *Portsmouth*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of the Working Classes) Bill. Bill 229.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board, under the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, relating to *Birmingham*, *Limehouse* District (*London*), and *Southampton*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill. Bill 230.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board, under the Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870, and the Public Health Act, 1875, relating to *Saint Ives*, *Cornwall*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eighth Report.

Contracts with Foreigners.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of April last, for a Return relative to Contracts with Foreigners (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 128, of Session 1894).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by Mr. *R. Hunter Pringle*, Assistant Commissioner, Royal Commission on Agriculture, on South *Durham* and selected Districts of the North and East Ridings of *Yorkshire*.

Electrical Communication with Lighthouses, &c. (Royal Commission.)

Copy of Third Report of the Royal Commission on Electrical Communication with Lighthouses, &c.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Railways Abandonment.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, in pursuance of Standing Order 158A,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the following Bill and its objects, *viz.*:—

Lancashire, *Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return in pursuance of the Provisions of the 50th Section of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, as regards *Ireland*, for the year ended 31st December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report for 1893, No. 136 (*Gold Coast*).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1531.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford.) No. 247.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of *Exeter* College, *Oxford*, on 25th January 1895, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, amending Statutes II. (Section 4), III. (Sections 15 and 27), IV. (Section 5), V. (Sections 2 and 3), and King *Charles* the First's Trust (Section 2) of the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be prnted.

Charitable Endowments (West Riding of the County of York.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners, in the result of an Inquiry held in every Parish wholly or partly within the Administrative County of the West Riding of *York* into Endowments, subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Act, 1853 to 1891, and appropriated in whole or in part for the Benefit of that County, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for Inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing, in the case of each such Parish, whether any, and. if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners in the Parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Reports.

Borough of Newington (Walworth Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Newington*,

Newington, Walworth Division, in the room of *William Saunders*, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

Trusts Administration.
No. 248.

Mr. Attorney General reported from the Select Committee on Trusts Administration; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Commission of the Peace (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns for each County, City, and Borough in *Ireland*, of the Names of the Persons holding the Commission of the Peace, and giving the Date of Appointment of each such Justice, and, so far as can be ascertained, the Designation, Profession, or Occupation of each such Person at the time of his Appointment to the Commission of the Peace, stating at the foot of the Return for each County, City, and Borough, so far as can be ascertained, and with such accuracy as is possible, in the absence of any Official Record, the Aggregate Number of such Persons that are Protestants, specifying their Denominations, the Number that are Roman Catholics, and the Number that are Members of any other Religious Denomination, and the Number of such Persons that are of each such Designation, Profession, or Occupation so far as the same can be ascertained:—For the whole of *Ireland*, of the Number of such Persons of each Religious Denomination that are of each such Designation, Profession, or Occupation, so far as the same can be ascertained:—And, of the Number of such Persons usually resident in such County, City or Borough (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 463, of Session 1893.)—(Mr. *William Redmond.*)

East India (Cantonment Acts.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts from recent Correspondence between the *India* Office and the Government of *India* on the subject of the Cantonment Acts and Regulations.—(Mr. *Stansfeld.*)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Lynton and Barnstaple Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway between *Barnstaple* and *Lynton*, in the County of *Devon*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lynton and Barnstaple Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Lynton* and *Barnstaple* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Metropolitan Police Courts.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for transferring the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police Courts to the Metropolitan Police Fund, and for making provision with respect to the Courts of the Stipendiary Magistrate of *Chatham* and *Sheerness*: And that Mr. *George Russell* and Mr. Secretary *Asquith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.
Bill 231.

Mr. *George Russell* accordingly presented a Bill for transferring the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police Courts to the Metropolitan Police Fund, and for making provision with respect to the Courts of the Stipendiary Magistrate of *Chatham* and *Sheerness*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* acquainted the House, that he had it in Command from the Queen to signify to the House that Her Majesty had been please to place at the disposal of Parliament for the purposes of the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill Her Majesty's interest in the Bishoprics and other Ecclesiastical Dignities and Benefices in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire*.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee that they have power to divide the Bill into two Bills, the one dealing with the termination of the establishment of the Church of *England* in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire*, and the other with the provisions in respect of the temporalities thereof, and that the first Bill be reported to the House before the other is proceeded with—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "*Mon-*" "*mouthshire*," to the word "thereof," inclusive.—(Mr. *David Thomas.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*:	198.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	231.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee on the said Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Disestablishment and prohibition of future appointments).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the words "ninety-seven," in order to insert the words, "ninety-eight."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen.*)

Question put, That the words, "ninety-" "seven" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided,

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	148.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Colonel *Lockwood*:	100.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, to leave out the words, "in this Act referred "to as the date of disestablishment."—(Mr. *Stanley Leighton.*)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided,

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	144.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Stanley Leighton*, Sir *Richard Temple*:	80.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, to leave out the words "so far as it is established "by law."—(Mr. *Laurence Hardy.*)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

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The Committee divided,

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 188.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Laurence Hardy*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*: } 147.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after the word "law" to insert the words "in any respects in which other religious "bodies are not so established."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8 after the word "*Wales*," to insert the words, "except that part of *Pembrokeshire* south of and "including *Haverfordwest*."—(Mr. *Thornton*.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Joseph Sidebotham*: } 161.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 193.

Tuesday, 7th May, 1895:

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

House Tax Consolidation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Cruelty to Animals (Scotland) Act (1850) Amendment Bill.

The Cruelty to Animals (*Scotland*) Act (1850) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Distress Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Distress Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Land Transfer Bill [*Lords*.]

The Land Transfer Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May.

Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 13, agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on West Highland Railway [Guarantee].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per cent.*, on £. 260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a sum of money, not exceeding £. 30,000, to that Company; and to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated

Consolidated Fund, of such sums as may be necessary for those purposes.—(Sir *John Hibbert*.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant May, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (False alarms of fire).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair: and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant May, That the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 29th day of April last, was proposed to be made on consideration of the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee; and which Amendment was, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "it is "agreed in writing that"—(Mr. *Lambert*);

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Herbert Gardner*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of the Prince of *Wales*, as Duke of *Cornwall*, is concerned therein;

Mr. *Herbert Gardner*, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half-an-hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 7th May, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.* :—

South Eastern Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,— Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.* :—

Grand Junction Canal (*Warwick* Canals Amalgamation) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

East Indian Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *East Indian* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

North Staffordshire Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the North *Staffordshire* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Norden Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Norden* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

North British Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Further Proceeding on the Question proposed on the 3rd day of this instant May, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *North British* Railway Bill that they may provide, if they think fit, notwithstanding Standing Order 163 of this House, that the respective undertakings of the *Kirkcaldy* District Railway Company and of the *East Fife* Railway Company may be vested in the *North British* Railway Company;

Ordered, That the Further Proceeding be resumed upon Thursday next.

Standing Orders.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant May, That Standing Order 157 be amended, by inserting after the word "Committee," at the end of the first sub-section, the words "and whether any communication has been received from the Board of Trade in regard to the Bill, or the objects thereof, of which in the opinion of the Committee it is desirable that the House should be informed";

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill.

The Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Chairman of the Committee on Standing Orders be appointed Chairman of the Committee on the *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board Bill instead of the Chairman of Ways and Means.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd Gas Board Bill [*Lords*.]

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Ninth Report.

Contracts with Foreigners. No. 250.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Contracts with Foreigners, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant May, be printed.

Charitable Endowments (West Riding of the County of York.) No. 251.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Charitable Endowments (West Riding of the County of *York*), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant May, be printed.

Crofter and Cottar Colonisation Scheme.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixth Report of Her Majesty's Commissioners appointed to carry out a Scheme of Colonisation in the Dominion of *Canada* of Crofters and Cottars from the Western Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*, with Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Suez Canal (Commercial, No. 3, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of Shipping and Tonnage passing through the *Suez Canal* in 1892, 1893, and 1894 (in continuation of Commercial, No. 2, 1894).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Arundel Port.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of the Annual Report and General Account of the Commissioners of *Arundel* Port, for period from 25th March 1894 to 25th March 1895.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Aire* and *Calder* Navigation Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Edinburgh and District Water Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Edinburgh* and District Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels) Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Fishguard* and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Allotments Acts (Acquisition of Land by Local Authorities.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Instances in which, prior to the 28th day of December 1894 (1) Rural Sanitary Authorities under the provisions of the Allotments Act, 1887, and (2) County Councils under the provisions of the Allotments Acts, 1887 and 1890, had acquired Land for Allotments by (1) Compulsory Purchase; (2) Purchase by Agreement; and (3) Hire by Agreement; showing in each case the Parish within which such Land has been acquired, the Acreage, and Number of Tenants to whom Allotments have been let under the Acts.—(Mr. *Channing.*)

Commons. (Second Report.) No. 252.

Upton Saint Leonards Common Fields.

Sir *Arthur Hayter* reported from the Select Committee on Commons; That they have considered the Report of the Board of Agriculture certifying the expediency of a Provisional Order for the Inclosure of *Upton Saint Leonards* Common Fields, and are of opinion that the same ought to be confirmed by Parliament, without modification.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Distress from Want of Employment. No. 253.

Mr. *Campbell Bannerman* reported from the Select Committee on Distress from Want of Employment; That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill.

1. That, in the case of the *Uxbridge* and *Rickmansworth* Railway Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

2. That, in the case of the *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 15th day of this instant May.

Town Leaseholds Extension (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Town Leaseholds Extension (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant May.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order for resuming, To-morrow, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of April last, That the Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill be discharged, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, To-morrow, on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Selection (Standing Committees.) Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures: Sir *Joseph Pease* and Sir *Mark Stewart*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Gerald Balfour* and Mr. *Johnson-Ferguson*.

Law, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure: Mr. *Samuel Hoare*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Jebb*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Law Agents (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Law Agents and Notaries Public practising in *Scotland*: And that Mr. *Caldwell*, Mr. *Harry Smith*, Mr. *Renshaw*, Mr. *Alexander Cross*, and Mr. *Diamond* do prepare, and bring it in.

Law Agents (Scotland) Bill. Bill 232.

Mr. *Caldwell* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Law Agents and Notaries Public practising in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Disestablishment and prohibition of future appointments).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after the word "*Wales*," to insert the words, "except that part of *Montgomeryshire* which is "in the Diocese of *Hereford*."—(Mr. *Jasper More.*)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Jasper More*, Mr. *Rankin*: } 206.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 234.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after the word "*Wales*." to insert the words, "except those portions of *Radnorshire* which are "in the Diocese of *Hereford*."—(Mr. *Rankin.*)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Rankin*, Mr. *Jasper More*: }

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: }

The Tellers reported the Numbers; Yeas, 209; Noes, 237.

Whereupon Mr. *Stuart-Wortley* and Mr. *John Talbot* complained that they had passed into the Ay Lobby to vote, but that the Tellers had left the door before they reached it.

The Chairman directed the Tellers for the Yeas to come again to the Table, and, having heard their explanation, directed the Clerk to correct the numbers by adding the names of the two honourable Members to the Yeas; and the Chairman declared the numbers to be, Yeas, 211; Noes, 237.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 8, after

after the word "*Wales*," to insert the words, "except all that detached portion of the County "of *Flint*, commonly called the Hundred of "*Maelor*."—(Colonel *Kenyon-Slaney*.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Kenyon-Slaney*, Mr. *Kenyon*: } 168.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 191.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 9, to leave out the words "or *Monmouthshire*.—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*.)

Question put, That the words "or *Monmouth-*"*shire*" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 201.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: } 176.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, to leave out the words, "save as by this Act "provided."—(Mr. *Fisher*.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

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And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, that the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Cruelty to Animals (Scotland) Act (1850) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Cruelty to Animals (*Scotland*) Act (1850) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Distress Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Distress Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee on the West Highland Railway [Guarantee], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per cent.*, on £. 260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a sum of money, not exceeding £. 30,000, to that Company; and to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums as may be necessary for those purposes.

The said Resolution was read a second time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Rule of the Road at Sea do consist of Seventeen Members.

Ordered, That Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* and Mr. *Havelock Wilson* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant May.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant May.

Grocers' Licences Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grocers' Licences Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant May.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

School Board for London Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 17th day of this instant May.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant May.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fires (False Alarms) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Leaseholds Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 8th May, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

THE Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Dublin*: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill.

Bill 233.

Mr. *John Morley* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Dublin*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Ninth Report.

Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (England and Wales.)

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-fourth Annual Report of the Inspectors of Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries for *England* and *Wales*, being for the year 1894.

Sea Fisheries (England and Wales.)

Copy of Ninth Annual Report of the Inspectors of Sea Fisheries in *England* and *Wales*, for the year 1894.

Railways Abandonment.

Mr. *Bryce* also presented, in pursuance of the Standing Order 158A.,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the following Bill and its objects, *viz.*:—

Cork and *Fermoy* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Report be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Commons Act, 1876 (High Road Well Moor, Halifax.)

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Agriculture, under the Commons Act, 1876, upon an Application for a Provisional Order for the Regulation of High Road Well *Moor*, *Halifax*.

Commons Act, 1876 (Bexhill Down.)

Copy of Report by the Board of Agriculture, under the Commons Act, 1876, upon an Application for a Provisional Order for the Regulation of *Bexhill Down*, in the County of *Sussex*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance No. 144.)

The Lord Advocate presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners, under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Supplementary Powers of University Court (Ordinance No. 144, General No. 17).

No. 254.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences Refused.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 8th day of February last, for a Return relative to Intoxicating Liquors (Licences Refused).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *Dunbar Barton*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *Knox* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *James O'Connor* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. *Knox* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Knox*, Mr. *James O'Connor*: } 225.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: } 208.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And

And the Question being accordingly put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Captain *Donelan*, Dr. *Tanner*: } 222.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: } 208.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure—(Mr. *Knox*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being after half-past Five of the clock, and Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Technical Education (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant May.

Technical Education (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant May.

Poor Relief Disqualification Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Relief Disqualification Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 30th day of this instant May.

Labourers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Labourers (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant May.

Cheap Trains (London) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains (*London*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fishermen's Voting (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 30th day of this instant May.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Smaller Dwellings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of this instant May.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant May.

Parliamentary Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Old Age Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Old Age Pensions Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Criminal Law Procedure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law Procedure Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Agricultural Holdings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of this instant May.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant May, That the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The Distress Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, *viz.*: That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per Cent.*, on £. 260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a Sum of Money, not exceeding £. 30,000, to that Company, and to authorise the Payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those Moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums as may be necessary for those purposes—(Sir *John Hibbert*),—which was reported from the Committee on the West Highland Railway [Guarantee];

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Cremation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower Burial Boards and Local Authorities to provide for Cremation: And that Sir *Thomas Roe*, Sir *Seymour King*, and Mr. *Charles Henry Wilson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cremation Bill. Bill 234.

Sir *Thomas Roe* accordingly presented a Bill to empower Burial Boards and Local Authorities to provide for Cremation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next; and to be printed.

Public Petitions (Eighth Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 30th day of April last, and the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 6th days of this instant May, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 4.)

Sir *John Kennaway* reported from the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills; That the parties promoting the *Muirkirk*, *Mauchline*, and *Dalmellington* Railways Bill had stated that the evidence of *Archibald Hood*, Shipowner, of *Cardiff*, was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *Archibald Hood*, Shipowner, of *Cardiff*, do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *Archibald Hood* do attend the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

A Motion

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Six of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, pursuant to the Standing Order, without Question put, till To-morrow.

Thursday, 9th May, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:

Taff Vale Railway Bill.
Wirral Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Weaver Navigation Bill.

The *Weaver* Navigation Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 25th day of April last, That the *London* and North Western Railway Bill be now read the third time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. *Herbert Lewis*);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Herbert Lewis*, Mr. *Edwards*: } 90.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Boulnois*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*: } 192.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the original Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "Bill be" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "re-committed to the former Committee in respect of Clauses 13 and 14."—(Mr. *Edwards*.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Boulnois*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*: } 233.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Herbert Lewis*, Mr. *Edwards*: } 106.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Boulnois*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*: } 248.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Herbert Lewis*, Mr. *Edwards*: } 120.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

North British Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant May, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *North British* Railway Bill that they may provide, if they think fit, notwithstanding Standing Order 163 of this House, that the respective undertakings of the *Kirkcaldy* District Railway Company and of the *East Fife* Railway Company may be vested in the *North British* Railway Company—(Dr. *Farquharson*);

And the Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Dr. *Clark*):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Original Question being put;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the *North British* Railway Bill that they may provide, if they think fit, notwithstanding Standing Order 163 of this House, that the respective undertakings of the *Kirkcaldy* District Railway Company and of the *East Fife* Railway Company may be vested in the *North British* Railway Company.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Ninth Report.

Commons Act, 1876 (High Road, Well Moor, Halifax.) No. 255.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Commons Act, 1876 (High Road, *Well Moor*, *Halifax*), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant May, be printed.

Commons Act, 1876 (Bexhill Down.) No. 256.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Commons Act, 1876 (*Bexhill Down*), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant May, be printed.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences Refused.) No. 257.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Intoxicating Liquors (Licences Refused), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant May, be printed.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (Scotland.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by Mr. *James Hope*, Assistant Commissioner, Royal Commission on Agriculture, on the Counties of *Roxburgh*, *Berwick*, *Selkirk*, *Peebles*, *Linlithgow*, *Edinburgh*, *Haddington*, *Banff*, *Nairn*, and *Elgin*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Charity Commission (Committee of the Treasury.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of April last, for a Return relative to the Charity Commission (Committee of the Treasury).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Education (England and Wales.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statement, showing, 1. The Expenditure from the Grant for Public Education in *England* and *Wales* in the year 1894 upon Annual Grants to Elementary Schools; and 2. The Actual Number of Elementary Schools on the Annual Grant List on the 31st August 1894 the Accommodation and Number

Number of Scholars in those Schools; and the Results of the Inspection and Examination of Elementary Schools during the year ending 31st August 1894.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge.) No. 258.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of *Jesus* College, *Cambridge*, on the 18th December 1894, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, amending Statutes XV. and XX. of the College Statutes.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877 (*Cambridge*), be printed.

Photometric Standards.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report made to the Board of Trade by the Committee appointed by the Board "to inquire into and report to them upon the subject of the Standards to be used for testing the illuminating power of Coal Gas"; together with Appendix thereto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 357.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders. No. 259.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Navy (Shipbuilding Contracts) (Further Programme commenced 1893-94.) No. 260.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statement of Contracts entered into by the Admiralty on account of Hulls and Machinery, &c.; of Ships building by Contract; of Machinery, &c., for Ships building in Her Majesty's Dockyards and for Gun Mountings.

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Deaths (Starvation, &c.) County of London.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of all Deaths in the Administrative County of *London* in the year 1894 upon which a coroner's jury has returned a verdict of Death from Starvation, or Death accelerated by Privation (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 288, of Session 1894), together with any observations by the Local Government Board with reference to those cases in which applications have been made to the Poor Law Authorities for relief.—(Mr. *Talbot*.)

Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills. Brighouse Corporation Bill.

Mr. *Walter Long* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That in the case of the *Brighouse* Corporation Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and had found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Evidence in Criminal Cases Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law of Evidence; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Merthyr Tydfil Local Board Water Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the Urban District Council of *Merthyr Tydfil* to construct additional Waterworks, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Liskeard and Looe Railway Extension Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorising the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company to extend their Railway, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Crystal Palace Company Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Crystal Palace* Company Bill, without Amendment.

Distress from Want of Employment.

The Lords request that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships a Copy of the Report, &c., of the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session on Distress from Want of Employment.

Merthyr Tydfil Local Board Water Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Merthyr Tydfil* Local Board Water Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Liskeard and Looe Railway Extension Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Liskeard* and *Looe* Railway Extension Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Leaseholds Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 17th day of this instant May.

Standing Committee (Scotland.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in addition to the two Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order No. 47, a Standing Committee shall be appointed for the consideration of all Bills introduced by a Minister of the Crown relating exclusively to *Scotland*, which may, by Order of the House, be committed to them, and that the provisions of Standing Order No. 47 shall apply to the said Standing Committee:

That the said Standing Committee do consist of all the Members representing *Scottish* constituencies, together with Fifteen other Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection, who shall have regard in such appointment to the approximation of the balance of parties in the Committee to that of the whole House, and who shall have Power from time to time to discharge the Members so nominated by them, and to appoint others in substitution of those discharged:

That Standing Orders Nos. 49 and 50 do apply to the said Standing Committee—(Sir *George Trevelyan*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," in line 1, to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House declines to "entertain a proposal to refer Bills to Standing "Committees on the basis of separate nationali-"ties and irrespectively of the subject-matter of "such Bills, and is of opinion that such a course "would

"would not only be contrary to the spirit and "usages of the Imperial Parliament, but also "undesirable in view of the Bills referring to "*Scotland* or parts of *Scotland* now before the "House."—(Sir *Herbert Maxwell.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the words from the word "That" to the word "to," in line 4, stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *Buchanan* rose in his place, and claimed to move "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: 186.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: 162.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed;

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 4, by inserting after the word "to," the words "the whole of."—(Mr. *Shaw Stewart.*)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Captain *Sinclair* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;"

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: 180.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: 155.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

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And the Question being accordingly put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Shaw Stewart*, Mr. *William Whitelaw*: 154.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: 179.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being after Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Police Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

House Tax Consolidation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day, at Two of the clock.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day, at Two of the clock.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Purchase of Land Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant May.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May.

Salmon Fisheries (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Salmon Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 30th day of this instant May.

Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Beer Adulteration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant May.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fire (False Alarms) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (False alarms of fire).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Question put, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 2 and N° 3, agreed to.

A New Clause added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant May, That the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Army (Courts Martial.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return for the years 1892 and 1893 for each Regiment of Cavalry (including the Cavalry Depôt), Battery or Company of Artillery, Company of Engineers, and Battalion of Infantry, respectively, of the number and proportion to average strength of (1) Courts Martial, distinguishing those in which the offences are only in relation to Enlistment; (2) Minor Punishments; (3) Desertions; and (4) Stations (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 22, of Session 1893–94).—(Sir *Frederick FitzWygram.*)

Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the working of the Regulations made in 1886 for carrying out the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884, with Statistics setting forth the Number, Nature, Cost, and Results of the Proceedings instituted by the Director in accordance with those Regulations from the 1st day of January 1894 to the 31st day of December 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 73, of Session 1894).—(Mr. *George Russell.*)

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 10*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred, on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Lynton and *Barnstaple* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Bray Township Improvement Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Bray* Township Improvement Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, that Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

[New Title.]

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with a New Title, as followeth:—An Act to authorise the *Bray* Township Commissioners to construct a Sewer for the more effectual Drainage of the Township, to supply Electricity for Public and Private purposes within the Township, and the Districts adjacent thereto, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Norden Railway Bill.

The *Norden* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Bridlington* and *Quay* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Inclosure (Upton Saint Leonards) Provisional Order.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Board of Agriculture relating to the inclosure of certain Lands in the Parish of *Upton Saint Leonards*, in the County of *Gloucester*: And that Mr. *Herbert Gardner* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare and bring it in.

Inclosure (Upton Saint Leonards) Provisional Order Bill. Bill 235

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Board of Agriculture relating to the inclosure of certain Lands in the Parish of *Upton Saint Leonards*, in the County of *Gloucester*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Ninth Report. Charity Commission (Committee of the Treasury.) No. 261.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Charity Commission (Committee of the Treasury), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant May, be printed.

Explosions (Trimley Marsh.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Colonel *A. Ford*, Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives, on the circumstances attending an ignition of Cannonite which occurred in the Granulating House of the Factory of the War and Sporting Smokeless Powder Syndicate, Limited, at *Trimley Marsh, Suffolk*, on the 12th March, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resident Magistrates (Ireland.) No. 262.

Mr. *John Morley* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of April last, for a Return relative to Resident Magistrates (*Ireland*) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 107, of Session 1892).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report, No. 137 (*Zululand*, 1894).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1532 to 1536.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 358.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 236.

The Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order for resuming, upon Monday the 3rd day of June next, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 10th day of June next.

Distress from Want of Employment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Message from the Lords of the 9th day of this instant May, wherein their Lordships request that this House will communicate a Copy of the Report, &c. of the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament, on Distress from Want of Employment.

Ordered, That a Printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Customs Duty on Beer.

1. *Resolved*, That, in addition to the Duties of Customs chargeable and payable on and after the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, on Beer imported into *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, there shall be charged and levied on and after that day until the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, the Duties following (that is to say):—

In the case of Beer called or similar to Mum, Spruce, Black Beer, or *Berlin* White Beer—

	£.	s.	d
For every thirty-six gallons thereof where the Worts thereof are or were before fermentation of a specific gravity—			
Not exceeding one thousand two hundred and fifteen degrees, a Duty of - - -		2	-
Exceeding one thousand two hundred and fifteen degrees, a Duty of - - -		2	4

In the case of every description of Beer other than that above mentioned—

	£. s. d.
For every thirty-six gallons thereof where the Worts thereof were before fermentation of a specific gravity of one thousand and fifty-five degrees, a Duty of - - - - - - - -	6

and so in proportion for every difference in gravity.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Excise Duty on Beer.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That in addition to the Duty of Excise payable on and after the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, in respect of Beer brewed in the United Kingdom there shall be charged and levied on and after that day until the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six :—

For every Thirty-six gallons of Worts of a specific gravity of One thousand and fifty-five degrees, the duty of Sixpence; and so in proportion for any difference in quantity or gravity.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Amendment proposed, in line 3, after the word "brewed," to insert the words "from substitutes "for barley, malt, or hops."—(Mr. *Quilter*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Main Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 230.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: } 206.

Resolved, That, in addition to the Duty of Excise payable on and after the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, in respect of Beer brewed in the United Kingdom there shall be charged and levied on and after that day until the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six :—

For every Thirty-six gallons of Worts of a specific gravity of One thousand and fifty-five degrees, the duty of Sixpence; and so in proportion for any difference in quantity or gravity.

And, it being after ten minutes to Seven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-Door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Criminal Law Procedure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law Procedure Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of this instant May.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill.

The Lords have agreed to Mr. Speaker's Retirement Bill, without Amendment.

British Gaslight Company (Staffordshire Potteries) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *British* Gaslight Company (*Staffordshire* Potteries) Bill, without Amendment.

City and South London Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the City and South *London* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Felixstowe and Walton Water Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the *Felixstowe* and *Walton* Water Bill, without Amendment.

Heriot's Trust Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Heriot's* Trust Bill, without Amendment.

Wrexham and Ellesmere Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Time for the Completion of the North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway, and to authorise the Construction of new Railways in the Counties of *Pembroke* and *Carmarthen*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd Gas Board Bill [*Lords*.]

Sir *John Mowbray* reported the *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Selection (Standing Committees.) Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures: Sir *John Lubbock*; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Heneage*.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, the following Fifteen Members, in respect of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors (*Ireland*) Bill: Mr. *Crilly*, Mr. *Diamond*, Mr. *Field*, Mr. *Flynn*, Mr. *Hayden*,

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors (Ireland) Bill.

Hayden, Mr. *Maurice Healy*, Mr. *William Johnston*, Sir *Thomas Lea*, Mr. *Patrick Aloysius M'Hugh*, Mr. *John Morley*, Mr. *James O'Connor*, Mr. *O'Keefe*, Mr. *William Redmond*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*, and Mr. *Webb*.

Law, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, the following Fifteen Members, in respect of the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill: Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Dunbar Barton*, Mr. *Bodkin*, Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton*, Mr. *Broadhurst*, Mr. *Butcher*, Mr. *Dodd*, Sir *Henry James*, Mr. *Labouchere*, Mr. *Elliot Lees*, Mr. *Leon*, Sir *Donald Macfarlane*, Sir *Frederick Milner*, Mr. *Warner*, and Mr. *R. G. Webster*.

Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, of any deficiency in the Insurance Fund that may be created under any Act of the present Session to simplify Titles and facilitate the Transfer of Land in *England* —(Sir *John Hibbert*);

Sir *John Hibbert*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Evening Sitting.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

London and North Western Railway (Administration in Wales.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "a Select Committee be appointed "to consider the alleged action of the *London* "and North Western Railway Company in de- "clining to take into their service monoglot *Welsh-* "*men* as labourers in the most *Welsh*-speaking "areas of the Principality of *Wales*, while at the "same time they employ in the same districts "officials who are completely ignorant of the "language of the people with whom they come "into contact and have business relations"—(Mr. *Lloyd-George*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 21st day of this instant May.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of February last, That the Plumbers' Registration Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday the 24th day of this instant May.

Architects' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Architects' Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of this instant May.

Tied Houses Tenants Contracts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tied Houses Tenants Contracts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant May.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Special Juries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Special Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May.

Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 13*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:—

London, Walthamstow, and *Epping Forest* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills (Standing Order 63 complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 63 has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Merthyr Tydfil Local Board Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bills (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

London County Council (Finance) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Edinburgh and District Water Bill [*Lords*.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Edinburgh* and District Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbour (Steam Vessels) Bill [*Lords*.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Fishguard* and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbour (Steam Vessels) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Derry City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The *Derry* City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Grand Junction Canal (Warwick Canals Amalgamation) Bill.

Ordered, That the Grand Junction Canal (*Warwick* Canals Amalgamation) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Rhondda* and *Swansea Bay* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Eastern Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

Ordered, That the South Eastern Railway Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Chester, Derby, East Sussex, Hereford, Kent, Northampton, Salop, Southampton, Stafford, Warwick, West Sussex*, and *Worcester*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bangor, Chorley, Derby, Hyde, Kingston-upon-Hull, Shipton*, and *Southport*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bradford* (*Yorks.*), *Bristol, Leigh*, and *Llandyssul*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill. Bill 237.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Chester, Derby, East Sussex, Hereford, Kent, Northampton, Salop, Southampton, Stafford, Warwick, West Sussex*,

Sussex, and *Worcester:* And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill. Bill 238.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bangor*, *Chorley*, *Derby*, *Hyde*, *Kingston-upon-Hull*, *Skipton*, and *Southport:* And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill. Bill 239.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bradford* (*Yorks.*), *Bristol*, *Leigh*, and *Llandyssul:* And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Ninth Report. Factories and Workshops.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Chief Inspector of Factories and Workshops to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Hydrographer's Report.)

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Hydrographer of the Admiralty of the Work performed under the direction of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty during the year 1894 in the Examination and Charting of the Seas and Coasts in various parts of the Globe.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1537.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Law, &c. Church Patronage Bill. No. 263.

Sir *Matthew White Ridley* reported from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, to whom the Church Patronage Bill was committed; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Bill 241.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

West Edinburgh Writ.

Notice taken by Mr. *Labouchere*, Member for the Borough of *Northampton*, of the presence in this House of the Earl of *Selborne*, who, as Viscount *Wolmer*, was returned at the last Election for West *Edinburgh*, but had become, on the death of his father, Earl of *Selborne* and a Peer of the Realm.

Mr. Speaker called on the Noble Lord to state whether, since he last took his place in the House, he had become Earl of *Selborne*.

The Noble Lord stated that he held himself to be a Peer of the Realm, but not a Lord of Parliament.

Mr. Speaker then inquired of the Noble Lord whether he had applied for his Writ of Summons to the House of Lords, or whether it was his intention immediately to do so.

The Earl of *Selborne* stated that he had made no such application, and that he had no present intention of doing so; inasmuch as he claimed still to be the duly elected Member for West *Edinburgh*.

Mr. Speaker thereupon requested the Noble Lord to withdraw below the Bar until the House had come to a decision on his claim, and he withdrew accordingly.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Burgh of *Edinburgh* (West Division) in the room of the Honourable *William Waldegrave Palmer*, commonly called Viscount *Wolmer*, now Earl of *Selborne*—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Great Southern and Western Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Great Southern and Western Railway Bill, without Amendment.

American Mortgage Company of Scotland Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *American* Mortgage Company of *Scotland* Bill, without Amendment.

Great Eastern Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Great Eastern Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

The Select Committee on the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill was nominated of Mr. *Addison*, Mr. *Darling*, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Hugh Hoare*, Mr. *Hopwood*, Mr. *Hutton*, Sir *Henry James*, Mr. *Matthews*, Mr. Attorney General, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Sir *Andrew Scoble*, Mr. *Talbot*, Sir *William Wedderburn*, Mr. *Whittaker*, and Mr. *Shiress Will*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

Rule of the Road at Sea.

Ordered, That Sir *James Kitson* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Rule of the Road at Sea.

Ordered, That Mr. *Egerton Allen* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

Established Church (Wales) Bill

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Disestablishment and prohibition of future appointments).

Amendment again proposed, in p. 1, l. 10, to leave out the words "save as by this Act provided."—(Mr. *Fisher.*)

Question again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

Question put;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:* } 230.

Tellers for the Noes. { Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Mr. *Hayes Fisher:* } 198.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "Her Majesty or."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen.*)

Question proposed, That the words "Her "Majesty or" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, to leave out the words "or any person."—(Mr. *Grant Lawson.*)

Question put, That the words "or any person" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:*	233.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Grant Lawson*, Mr. *Freeman-Mitford:*	202.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, to leave out the word "ecclesiastical."—(Mr. *Hanbury.*)

Question proposed, That the word "ecclesiastical," stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13, after the word "the" to insert the word "disestablished."—(Mr. *Hanbury.*)

Question proposed, That the word "disestablished" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, at end, to add the words, "Provided that, upon "the avoidance of his office by any person having "been the incumbent of a benefice at the passing "of this Act, and having since continued to "perform the duties of his ecclesiastical office "in the parish, if it shall be shown to the satisfaction of the *Welsh* Commissioners hereinafter "mentioned that there has been no minister of "the *Calvinistic* Methodists, Independent, Baptist, or *Wesleyan* denominations resident for "the preceding six months in the parish, they "shall so inform the person or persons who "would have been the patron of the benefice if "this Act had not passed, and thereupon all "rights and duties existing at the passing of this "Act as to presentation and institution to such "benefice shall be in force, and any person duly "presented thereto and instituted therein shall "be deemed to be the holder of an ecclesiastical "office at the passing of this Act."—(Viscount *Cranborne.*)

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Viscount *Cranborne*, Mr. *Hanbury:*	159.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:*	180.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "Provided always "that where any portion of *Wales* or *Monmouth*-"*shire* shall hereafter form part of *England* the "Church of *England* shall in such portion cease "to be subject to the provisions of this Act."—(Mr. *Hanbury.*)

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Hanbury*, Viscount *Cranborne:*	181.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:*	199.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:*	192.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond:*	173.

Tuesday, 14*th May*, 1895:

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means [10th May] Report. Customs Duty on Beer.

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, in addition to the Duties of Customs chargeable and payable on and after the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, on Beer imported into *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, there shall be charged and levied on and after that day until the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, the Duties following (that is to say):—

In the case of Beer called or similar to Mum, Spruce, Black Beer, or *Berlin* White Beer—

	£.	s.	d.
For every thirty-six gallons thereof where the Worts thereof are or were before fermentation of a specific gravity—			
Not exceeding one thousand two hundred and fifteen degrees, a Duty of	-	2	-
Exceeding one thousand two hundred and fifteen degrees, a Duty of	-	2	4

In the case of every description of Beer other than that above mentioned—

	£.	s.	d.
For every thirty-six gallons thereof where the Worts thereof were before fermentation of a specific gravity of one thousand and fifty-five degrees, a Duty of	-	-	6

and so in proportion for any difference in gravity.

Excise Duty on Beer.

2. That in addition to the Duty of Excise payable on and after the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, in respect of Beer brewed in the United Kingdom there shall be charged and levied on and after that day until the First day of July, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six:—

For every Thirty-six gallons of Worts of a specific gravity of One thousand and fifty-five degrees, the duty of Sixpence; and so in proportion for any difference in quantity or gravity.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Gentlemen appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill upon the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means on the 3rd instant, and then agreed to by the House, that they do make Provision therein pursuant to the said Resolutions.—(Sir *John Hibbert.*)

Finance Bill. Bill 240.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented a Bill to grant certain Duties of Customs and Inland Revenue, to repeal and alter other Duties, and to amend the Law relating to Customs and Inland Revenue, and to make Provision for the Financial Arrangements of the year: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Standing Committee (Scotland.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant May, That in addition to the two Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order No. 47, a Standing Committee shall be appointed for the consideration of all Bills introduced by a Minister of the Crown relating exclusively to *Scotland*, which may, by Order of the House, be committed to them, and that the Provisions of Standing Order No. 47 shall apply to the said Standing Committee:

That the said Standing Committee do consist of all the Members representing *Scottish* constituencies,

stituencies, together with Fifteen other Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection, who shall have regard in such appointment to the approximation of the balance of parties in the Committee to that of the whole House, and who shall have Power from time to time to discharge the Members so nominated by them, and to appoint others in substitution of those discharged:

That Standing Orders Nos. 49 and 50 do apply to the said Standing Committee—(Sir *George Trevelyan*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of April last, That the Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill, be discharged;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next, at Two of the clock.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, "That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per cent.* on £. 260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a sum of Money, not exceeding £. 30,000, to that Company; and to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those Moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums as may be necessary for those purposes"—(Sir *John Hibbert*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 27th day of this instant May.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Police Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

House Tax Consolidation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax Consolidation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund].

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund, of any deficiency in the Insurance Fund that may be created under any Act of the present Session to simplify Titles and facilitate the Transfer of Land in *England*—(Sir *John Hibbert*):

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Harry Foster*),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of this instant May.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of this instant May.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22nd day of this instant May.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cheap Trains (London) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains (*London*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fires (False Alarms) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant May, That the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Merchandise Marks (Cheese.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887, to 1894, to Foreign and Colonial Cheese: And that Sir *Alexander Acland-Hood*, Sir *John Dickson-Poynder*, Mr. *Strachey*, Mr. *Disraeli*, and Mr. *Charles Hobhouse* do prepare, and bring it in.

Stationery Office (Printing Contracts.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire whether the present system of issuing invitations for tenders and of making Contracts for Government printing and binding sufficiently secures compliance with the terms and spirit of the Resolution of the House of Commons of the 13th day of February 1891, and whether any, and, if so, what improvements of the system are called for.—(Sir *John Hibbert*.)

Taxes and Imposts.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) the Rates of all Duties, Taxes, or Imposts collected by Imperial Officers; (2) the Quantities or Amounts taxed; (3) the Gross Receipts derived from each Duty; and (4) the Net Receipts and Appropriation thereof in the year ending the 31st day of March 1895:—And, (1) the Aggregate Gross Receipts derived from all such Duties, Taxes, or Imposts under the Principal Heads of Revenue; (2) the Aggregate Net Receipts; (3) the Charges of Collection; and (4) the Produce after deducting those Charges, in each of the ten years ending the 31st day of March 1895:——And Notes to show any changes in the Taxes, Duties, and Imposts consequent upon the acceptance of the Budget Proposals of 1895 (in continuation of Return, No. 325, of Session 1894).—(Mr. *Conybeare*.)

Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Insurance of Funeral Expenses of Children: And that Sir *Richard Webster*, Mr. *Greene*, and Mr. *Bucknill* do prepare, and bring it in.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the *London* County Council to raise and expend Money on Capital Account in connection with the acquisition of Waterworks: And that Mr. *James Stuart* and Mr. *Benn* do prepare, and bring it in.

Merchandise Marks (Cheese) Bill. Bill 242.

Sir *Alexander Acland-Hood* presented a Bill to extend the Merchandise Marks Acts, 1887 to 1894, to Foreign and Colonial Cheese: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance Bill. Bill 243.

Sir *Richard Webster* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Insurance of Funeral Expenses of Children: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill. Bill 244.

Mr. *James Stuart* presented a Bill to authorise the *London* County Council to raise and expend Money on Capital Account in connection with the acquisition of Waterworks: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 14*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Message from the Lords.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

North Middlesex Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the North *Middlesex* Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

The *Bridlington* and *Quay* Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Taff Vale Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Taff Vale* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Wirral Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Wirral* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [River Ouse (Beds. and Hunts.) &c.]

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, containing the Classification of Merchandise Traffic and the Schedule of Maximum Tolls and Charges applicable thereto for the River *Ouse* Navigation (*Beds.* and *Hunts.*) and certain other Canals: And that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [Caledonian and Crinan Canals.]

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, containing the Classification of Merchandise Traffic and the Schedule of Maximum Tolls and Charges applicable thereto for the *Caledonian* and *Crinan* Canals: And that

that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas D. Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to the several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Mr. Speaker's Retirement Act, 1895.
2. Grand Jury (*Ireland*) Act, 1895.
3. Documentary Evidence Act, 1895.
4. Lands Clauses (Taxation of Costs) Act, 1895.
5. Metropolitan Police (Receiver) Act, 1895.
6. *London* (*Boundary Street, Bethnal Green*) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1895.
7. Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1895.
8. Metropolitan Outer Circle Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1895.
9. *Newmarket* Gas Company's Act, 1895.
10. *Bristol* Waterworks Act, 1895.
11. *Brecon* and *Merthyr* Railway Act, 1895.
12. Legal and General Life Assurance Society's Act, 1895.
13. New *Russia* Company Act, 1895.
14. *Edinburgh* Merchant Company Endowments Act, 1895.
15. *Felixstowe* and *Walton* Waterworks Act, 1895.
16. *Saint Leonard* and *Saint Mary Magdalen* Church Districts Amendment Act, 1895.
17. *Crystal Palace* Company's Act, 1895.
18. *George Heriot's* Trust Act, 1895.
19. *Wrexham* and *Ellesmere* Railway Act, 1895.
20. *British* Gas Light Company, Limited (*Staffordshire* Potteries) Act, 1895.
21. City and South *London* Railway Act, 1895.
22. *East Indian* Railway Company's Act, 1895.
23. North *Staffordshire* Railway Act, 1895.
24. *American* Mortgage Company of *Scotland*, Limited, Act, 1895.
25. Great Southern and Western Railway Act, 1895.

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order [Strabane Canal.]

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade, under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, containing the Classification of Merchandise Traffic and the Schedule of Maximum Rates, Tolls, and Charges applicable thereto for the *Strabane* Canal: And that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Pilotage Provisional Order.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, relating to the *London* and *English Channel* Pilotage Districts: And that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [River Ouse (Beds. and Hunts.) &c.] Bill. Bill 245.

Mr. *Burt* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, containing the Classification of Merchandise Traffic and the Schedule of Maximum Tolls and Charges applicable thereto for the River *Ouse* Navigation (*Beds.* and *Hunts.*) and certain other Canals: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [Caledonian and Crinan Canals) Bill. Bill 246.

Mr. *Burt* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, containing the Classification of Merchandise Traffic and the Schedule of Maximum Tolls and Charges applicable thereto for the *Caledonian* and *Crinan* Canals: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order [Strabane Canal] Bill. Bill 247.

Mr. *Burt* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade, under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, containing the Classification of Merchandise Traffic and the Schedule of Maximum Rates, Tolls, and Charges applicable thereto for the *Strabane* Canal: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Pilotage Provisional Order Bill. Bill 248.

Mr. *Burt* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, relating to the *London* and *English Channel* Pilotage Districts: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Tenth Report.

Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884. No. 264.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 9th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to the Prosecution of Offences Acts, 1879 and 1884 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper No. 73 of Session 1894).

Polling Districts (Warwickshire.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the *Warwickshire* County Council altering the Polling Districts of the County.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts, and Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889. No. 265.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme for the Management of the Funds applicable out of the County Rate and Moneys provided by Parliament, and out of the Local Taxation (Customs and Excise) Duties, to the Intermediate and Technical Education of the Inhabitants of the County of *Glamorgan* in the matter of the Foundations in the same County called or known as (1) The Foundation of *Edward Lewis* for a School at *Gelligaer*, regulated by a Scheme made under the Endowed Schools Acts on the 7th July 1874; (2) *Alldworth's* Foundation at *Eglwysilan*, regulated by a Scheme made under the Endowed Schools Acts on the 29th November 1881; and (3) The *Cowbridge* Grammar School, regulated

lated by a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners of the 31st October 1862.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Arrests for Drunkenness (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return giving the Number of Arrests for Drunkenness within the Metropolitan Police District of *Dublin*, and the Cities of *Belfast*, *Cork*, *Limerick*, and *Waterford*, on Sundays, between the 1st day of May 1894, and the 30th day of April 1895, both days inclusive, the Arrests being given from 8 a.m. on Sundays till 8 a.m. on Mondays:——And, similar Return for the rest of *Ireland*, from the 1st day of May 1894 to the 30th day of April 1895 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 260, of Session 1894).—(Mr. *William Johnston*.)

Experiments on Living Animals.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Experiments performed on Living Animals during the year 1894, under Licences granted under the Act 39 and 40 *Vic.* c. 77, distinguishing painless from painful Experiments (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No, 103, of Session 1894).—(Mr. *George Russell*.)

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration Tomorrow.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Uxbridge* and *Rickmansworth* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true, and had made provision in the Bill, pursuant to a Resolution of the House of the 7th day of May; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ambleside Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Ambleside* Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill, with Amendments.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Barry Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Barry* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Rhymney Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Rhymney* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Downing College Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Master Professors, Fellows and Scholars of *Downing* College, in the University of *Cambridge*, to sell and to lease on long Leases and otherwise improve part of their Estate situate in the Parishes of *Saint Botolph*, *Saint Andrew-the-Great*, *Saint Benedict*, and *Saint Mary-the-Less*, in the Town of *Cambridge*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to repeal and re-enact with Amendments, the Phœnix Assurance Company's Act, 1813; to make further provisions in relation to the Laws, Objects, Regulations, and Capital of the Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Downing College Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Downing* College Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill.

The Phœnix Assurance Company Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Newspapers (Registration.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable *bonâ fide* Periodical Publications issued at intervals exceeding Seven days to be registered as Newspapers in order to be conveyed by Post at the Newspaper Rate: And that Mr. *Henniker Heaton*, Sir *John Leng*, and Sir *Algernon Borthwick* do prepare, and bring it in.

Newspapers (Registration) Bill. Bill 249.

Mr. *Henniker Heaton* accordingly presented a Bill to enable *bonâ fide* Periodical Publications issued at intervals exceeding Seven days to be registered as Newspapers in order to be conveyed by Post at the Newspaper Rate: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Earldom of Selborne.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether the Honourable *William Waldegrave Palmer*, commonly called Viscount *Wolmer*, has since his election to this House succeeded to the Earldom of *Selborne* in the Peerage of the United Kingdom—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "has "since his election to this House succeeded," and inserting the words "and Sir *James Morse* "*Carmichael*, Baronet, both sitting in this House, "have succeeded or are entitled to succeed"—(Mr. *Chamberlain*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	330.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*, Mr. *Harry Foster*:	143.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report whether the Honourable *William Waldegrave Palmer*, commonly called Viscount *Wolmer*, has since his election to this House succeeded to the Earldom of *Selborne* in the Peerage of the United Kingdom.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Ecclesiastical Corporations and Bishops).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15, to leave out the words "On the date of" in order to insert the word "Notwithstanding."—(Mr. *Tomlinson.*)

Question put, That the words "on the date "of" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:* } 186.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Tomlinson*, Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen:* } 167.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15, to leave out the words "cathedral and"—(Mr. *Bartley.*)

Question put, That the words "cathedral and" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:* } 135.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *John Talbot*, Sir *Richard Temple:* } 85.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, to leave out the word "ecclesiastical"—(Mr. *R. G. Webster.*)

Question, That the word "ecclesiastical" stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, after the word "aggregate," to insert the words "as far as they are established by law."—(Mr. *Bartley.*)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Banbury:* } 131.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:* } 198.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 18, before the word "after," to insert the words "no "Bishop of the Church of *Wales* appointed."—(Mr. *Hayes Fisher.*)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Hayes Fisher*, Sir *Edward Clarke:* } 153.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:* } 191.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-Door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafting of Bills.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Message from the Lords of the 8th day of April last, wherein their Lordships acquaint the House, That they have appointed a Committee of Five Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons to consider in what manner such inconvenience as arises from legislation by reference in Acts of Parliament to prior enactments can best be avoided; and request that this House will be pleased to appoint an equal number of Members to be joined with the said Lords.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Five Members be appointed to join with the Committee appointed by the House of Lords, as mentioned in their Lordships' Message of the 8th day of April last, to consider in what manner such inconvenience as arises from legislation by reference in Acts of Parliament to prior enactments can best be avoided.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint their Lordships, that this House has appointed a Select Committee of Five Members to join with the Committee appointed by the House of Lords, as mentioned in their Lordships' Message of the 8th day of April last, to consider in what manner such inconvenience as arises from legislation by reference in Acts of Parliament to prior enactments can best be avoided.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 15*th May*, 1895:

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of this instant May.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 28th day of this instant May.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 30th day of this instant May.

Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant May.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant May, That the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 24th day of this instant May.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fires (False Alarms) Bill as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law and Courts of Justice and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 15*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Brighouse Corporation Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the *Brighouse* Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Lynton and Barnstaple Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Lynton* and *Barnstaple* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Vide Tenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordnance Survey.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Progress of the Ordnance Survey to the 31st December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 8th May 1895, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, declaring that *William Parker*, Postman, *Cheshunt*, *Waltham Cross*, Post Office Department, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Vagrants (England and Wales.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Vagrants relieved in the several Unions in separate Parishes in *England* and *Wales* on the night of the 1st of July and the 1st of January in each of the Five Years ended January 1895, distinguishing Adult Males and Females and Children under 16 Years of Age.—(Sir *Walter Foster*.)

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.—(Mr. *James Stuart*.)

Earldom of Selborne.

The Select Committee on the Earldom of *Selborne* was nominated of Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Balfour*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. *Henry Hobhouse*, Mr. *Labouchere*, Mr. *Sexton*, and Sir *Richard Webster*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Tenure Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while acknowledging "that the Agricultural Holdings Act may be "amended with advantage, refuses to sanction "a measure containing provisions which it "believes would be detrimental to the interest "of owners and occupiers alike."—(Commander *Bethell*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. *Luttrell* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Luttrell*, Mr. *Lambert*:	216.
Tellers for the Noes,	Commander *Bethell*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*:	199.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Lambert*, Mr. *Channing*; } 218.
Tellers for the Noes, { Commander *Bethell*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*: } 189.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the Main Question being put;
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures—(Mr. *Lambert*);

And, it being after half-past Five of the clock, and Objection being taken, Further Proceeding stood adjourned till Monday next.

Ecclesiastical Vestries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ecclesiastical Vestries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of June next.

Evicted Tenants (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Evicted Tenants (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 6th day of June next.

Land Tenure (England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Tenure (*England*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 27th day of this instant May.

Mines (Eight Hours) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mines (Eight Hours) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 6th day of June next.

Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign and Colonial Meat (Marking) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of June next.

Mining Easements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Mining Easements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Old Age Provident Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Old Age Provident Pensions Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Out-door Provident Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Provident Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of April last, That the Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Street Music Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Street Music Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of June next.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parliamentary Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 3rd day of June next.

Beer Adulteration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Beer Adulteration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of June next.

The

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Criminal Law Procedure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Criminal Law Procedure Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 24th day of this instant May.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

And it being Six of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, pursuant to the Standing Order, without Question put, till To-morrow.

Thursday, 16*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Standing Committee on Trade, &c. (Sittings of the Committee.)

ORDERED, That, until the conclusion of the proceedings on the Factories and Workshops Bill, the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, have leave to sit during the sitting and notwithstanding any adjournment of the House.—(Mr. *Stuart-Wortley*.)

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Great Eastern Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Great Eastern Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Edinburgh and District Water Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Edinburgh* and District Water Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbour (Steam Vessels) Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Fishguard* and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbour (Steam Vessels) Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

South Eastern Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the South Eastern Railway Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill.

The Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions.

Vide Tenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Civil Services Additional Estimate, 1895-96 (Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens.)

No. 266.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the Additional Amount required in the year ending 31st March 1896, to defray the Expense of Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens (Class I. 2).

Civil Services Additional Estimate (Friendly Societies Registry)

No 267.

Estimate of the Additional Amount required in the year ending 31st March 1896, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Registry of Friendly Societies, 38 and 39 *Vic.* c. 60 (Class II. 15).

Charity Commission (Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889.)

Copy of Report of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales* of their Proceedings under "The *Welsh* Intermediate Education Act, 1889."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1538 and 1539.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Pilotage Provisional Orders.

No. 268.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Order included in the Pilotage Provisional Order Bill.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.

Sir *John Kennaway* reported from the Committee on the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations

allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions (Ninth Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, and 13th days of this instant May, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ecclesiastical Vestries Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday the 4th day of June next, the Ecclesiastical Vestries Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Teachers' Pensions (Scotland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Numbers and Names of Schoolmasters and Schoolmistresses in receipt of Pensions from the *Scotch* Education Department, the School at which they were last engaged, the Date when they commenced Teaching, the Age at Retirement, the Date of Retirement, and the Amount of Pension paid to each.—(Mr. *Weir*.)

Hours of Labour (Foreign Countries.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) the State limitation of Hours of Work by Adult Men and Women, Young Persons, and Children in the Textile Trades in the different States upon the Continent of *Europe* and in the United States of *America*; (2) the Ages at which such Children are allowed to begin work, and whether they begin as Half-timers or Full-timers; (3) whether the State limitation is enforced by any and what System of Inspection, and indicating the changes which have been made in these respects since the *Berlin* Conference.—(Mr. *Whiteley*.)

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill and Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order made upon the 22nd day of February last, that Seven be the Quorum of the Select Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill and the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. *Plunket*.)

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill and Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report from the Select Committee on the *London* Water Commission Bill (1891) and the Report of the Royal Commission on the Water Supply of the Metropolis (1893) be referred to the Select Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill and the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill.—(Mr. *Plunket*.)

Court of Criminal Appeal [Costs.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any Costs incurred, in *Ireland*, on an Appeal, or Case stated under the provisions of any Act of the present Session for the creation of a Court of Criminal Appeal and Revison of Sentences—(Sir *John Hibbert*);

Sir *John Hibbert*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Warwick and Leamington Borough (Writ.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Warwick* and *Leamington*, in the room of the Right Honourable *Arthur Wellesley Peel*, now Viscount *Peel*, called up to the House of Peers.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Military Lands Provisional Orders Bill, without Amendment.

Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law as to the Endowment of the Archdeaconry of *Cornwall*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Swansea Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the *Swansea* Harbour Trustees to make a new Opening or Swing Bridge over the New Cut; to construct a Lock or Half-tide Basin, and certain Railways, Roads, and Works; to borrow further Money, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sutton Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the *Sutton* Harbour Improvement Company to construct a new Quay, and to revive and extend the Powers of the *Sutton* Harbour Act, 1889, for the construction of a Quay and Roadway and the Establishment of a Fish Market in connection with their existing Undertaking at the Harbour of *Sutton Pool*, in the County of *Devon*; to provide for the Conversion and Consolidation of their existing and authorised Shares, and to raise further Capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Swansea Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Swansea* Harbour Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sutton Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Sutton* Harbour Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Friendly Societies.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Friendly Societies: And that Sir *John Hibbert* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Friendly Societies Bill. Bill 250.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Friendly Societies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next; and to be printed.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Attorney General be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Land Transfer Bill.

The Select Committee on the Land Transfer Bill was nominated of Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Thomas Henry Bolton*, Mr. *John Ellis*, Viscount

Viscount *Folkestone*, Mr. *Greene*, Mr. *Haldane*, Mr. *Lambert*, Colonel *Long*, Mr. *Seale-Hayne*, Mr. *W. F. D. Smith*, Mr. *Tomlinson*, Mr. *Tully*, Mr. *Warmington*, Mr. *Wayman*, and Mr. *Wickham*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Finance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Finance Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Beer Duty.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "in the opinion of this House, the Beer "Duty should be re-adjusted with a view to the "relief from taxation of Home-grown Barley "and Hops, inasmuch as a duty upon beer is a "tax upon *British* agriculture and has materially "tended to the recent reduction in the wages and "employment of the agricultural labourer"—(Mr. *James Lowther*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being proposed;

Land Tax (Local Taxation.)

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "no Bill for the Finances of the year "will be satisfactory which does not provide for "the application of the Land Tax towards the "reduction of local taxation in the counties in "which it is levied"—(Mr. *Jeffreys*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Friday, 17*th May*, 1895:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday next.

Standing Committee (Scotland.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant May, That in addition to the two Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order No. 47, a Standing Committee shall be appointed for the consideration of all Bills introduced by a Minister of the Crown relating exclusively to *Scotland*, which may, by Order of the House, be committed to them, and that the provisions of Standing Order No. 47 shall apply to the said Standing Committee:

That the said Standing Committee do consist of all the Members representing *Scottish* constituencies, together with Fifteen other Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection who shall have regard in such appointment to the approximation of the balance of parties in the Committee to that of the whole House, and who shall have power from time to time to discharge the Members so nominated by them, and to appoint others in substitution of those discharged:

That Standing Orders Nos. 49 and 50 do apply to the said Standing Committee—(Sir *George Trevelyan*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read for the Third Reading of the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

The Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day at Two of the clock.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day, at Two of the clock.

Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Religious Opinions (Prosecutions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Religious Opinions (Prosecutions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of June next.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Compulsory Sale (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 6th day of June next.

Tramways (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tramways (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 6th day of June next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Church Patronage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Church Patronage Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Licensing Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Licensing Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Fires (False Alarms) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Evidence on behalf of accused) —(Mr. *Greene*)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Register Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Ordered,

Commons and Open Spaces.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Inclosure Acts, 1845 to 1882, and the Law relating to Commons and Open Spaces: And that Mr. *Herbert Gardner*, Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. *Thomas Ellis* do prepare, and bring it in.

Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill.

The Order made upon the 24th day of April last, That the Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill be committed to a Select Committee, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.—(Mr. *Schwann*.)

Tied Houses Tenants' Contracts Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday the 23rd day of this instant May, the Tied Houses Tenants' Contracts Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Commons and Open Spaces Bill. Bill 251.

Mr. *Thomas Ellis* presented a Bill to amend the Inclosure Acts, 1845 to 1882, and the Law relating to Commons and Open Spaces: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 17*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time upon Monday next.

North Middlesex Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the North *Middlesex* Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Midland Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Midland Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Confirming Agreement between Company and Junction Company) was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

South Eastern Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant May, That the South Eastern Railway Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Public Petitions.

Vide Tenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Registry of Deeds (Ireland.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 8th May 1895, fixing the Salaries attached to the offices of First and Second Assistant Registrar of Deeds in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army (Rules of Procedure.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendment to the Rules of Procedure (Army), 1893.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Friendly Societies Bill. No. 269.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statement showing Sections of the Friendly Societies Act, 1875, as amended by the Friendly Societies Act, 1887, and as proposed to be further amended by the present Friendly Societies Bill.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Commons (Third Report.) No. 270. Regulation of High Road, Well Moor, Halifax.

Sir *Arthur Hayter* reported from the Select Committee on Commons; That they have considered the Report of the Board of Agriculture, certifying the expediency of a Provisional Order for the Regulation of High Road, *Well Moor*, *Halifax*, and are of opinion that the same ought to be confirmed by Parliament, without modification.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Commons (Fourth Report.) No. 271. Regulation of Bexhill Down, in the County of Sussex.

Sir *Arthur Hayter* reported from the Select Committee on Commons; That they have considered the Report of the Board of Agriculture, certifying the expediency of a Provisional Order for the Regulation of *Bexhill Down*, in the County of *Sussex*, and are of opinion that the same ought to be confirmed by Parliament, without modification; and that they had directed him to make a Report thereof; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Registration of Firms.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Registration of Firms: And that Sir *John Leng*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Rawson Shaw*, and Sir *Joseph Crosland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Bills of Exchange (Summary Judgment.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Registration of Dishonoured Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and to allow Summary Judgment thereon: And that Sir *John Leng*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Rawson Shaw*, and Sir *Joseph Crosland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Registration of Voters (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Registration of Parliamentary Voters in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Power*, Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Matthew Kenny*, Mr. *Macartney*, Mr. *Patrick Aloysius M'Hugh*, Mr. *Tully*, and Mr. *Webb* do prepare, and bring it in.

Registration of Firms Bill. Bill 252.

Sir *John Leng* presented a Bill for the Registration of Firms: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Bills of Exchange (Summary Judgment) Bill. Bill 253.

Sir *John Leng* presented a Bill to provide for the Registration of Dishonoured Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes, and to allow Summary Judgment thereon: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill. Bill 254.

Mr. *Power* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Registration of Parliamentary Voters in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, "it is highly desirable that the terms and con-"ditions of employment in the Post Office "should be made the subject of competent and "immediate inquiry with a view to the removal "of any reasonable cause of complaint which "may be found to exist—(Mr. *Kearley*),—instead thereof.

Post Office Employées.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being ten minutes to Seven of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of April last, That the Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill be discharged;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Court of Criminal Appeal [Costs.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Court of Criminal Appeal [Costs].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any Costs incurred in *Ireland*, on an Appeal, or Case stated under the Provisions of any Act of the present Session for the Creation of a Court of Criminal Appeal and Revision of Sentences.—(Sir *John Hibbert*.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4, amended, and agreed to.

A Clause added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Solicitors (Ireland) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Solicitors and to the Service of Indentured Apprentices in *Ireland*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Land Transfer Bill.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord High Chancellor to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on the Land Transfer Bill: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Muirkirk, Mauchline, and Dalmellington Railways Bill.

Sir *John Kennaway* reported the *Muirkirk*, *Mauchline*, and *Dalmellington* Railways Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

The

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Evening Sitting.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Tied-House System.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "whereas the present system of "granting licences for the sale of intoxicating "liquor to tenants who are under agreement to "purchase only from any particular person, firm, "or company is most injurious both to the ten-"ants and the public, this House is of opinion "that immediate legislation is desirable to make "such agreements illegal"—(Mr. *William Allen*), —instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "whereas the present system of granting "licences for the sale of intoxicating liquor to "tenants who are under agreement to purchase "only from any particular person, firm, or com-"pany is most injurious both to the tenants and "the public, this House is of opinion that im-"mediate legislation is desirable to make such "agreements illegal," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his Assent.

Mr. *William Allen* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by leaving out from the word "whereas" to end of the Question, and adding the words "the House "has no sufficient information on the subject, "it is expedient in the first instance that a "Select Committee of this House be appointed "to inquire into the customs prevalent through-"out the country by which the wholesale manu-"facturer binds his retail customers who hold "licences to deal in the articles he manufactures "or sells, and to Report"—(Mr. *Bucknill*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his Assent.

Mr. *Brunner* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *William Allen*, Mr. *Broadhurst*:	98.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Bucknill*, Mr. *Usborne*:	59.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 18*th May*, 1895:

And the Question being proposed, That the words "whereas the present system of granting "licences for the sale of intoxicating liquor to "tenants who are under agreement to purchase "only from any particular person, firm, or company "is most injurious both to the tenants and the "public, this House is of opinion that immediate "legislation is desirable to make such agreements "illegal," be added to the word "That" in the Main Question;

And, it being Midnight, and Objection being taken to Further Proceeding, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business:

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Whereupon Mr. *William Allen* rose in his place and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *William Allen*, Mr. *Broadhurst*:	91.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Bucknill*, Mr. *Usborne*:	51.

Mr. Speaker declares the Question not decided the Majority being less than prescribed by S. O. 26.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker declared that the Question was not decided in the Affirmative, because it was not supported by the majority prescribed by Standing Order 26, and that the Debate stood adjourned.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, the Sum of £. 7,855,268 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom. —(Sir *John Hibbert*.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Munro Ferguson* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Munro Ferguson* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Land Compulsory Sale (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Compulsory Sale (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 5th day of June next.

School Board for London Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the School Board for *London* Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant May, That the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Merchandise Marks (Cheese) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Cheese) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 20*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Sutton Harbour Bill.

Swansea Harbour Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.*:—

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 15th day of this instant May, That, in the case of the following Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

Brighouse Corporation Bill.

The *Brighouse* Corporation Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [*Lords*.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Aire* and *Calder* Navigation Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd Gas Board Bill [*Lords*.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Rhymney Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Rhymney* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Uxbridge* and *Rickmansworth* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway Bill.

The *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Merthyr Tydfil Local Board Water Bill [*Lords*.]

Ordered, That the *Merthyr Tydfil* Local Board Water Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill.

The Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Westminster (Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday next.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Grand Junction Canal (Warwick Canals Amalgamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Canal (*Warwick* Canals Amalgamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The

South Eastern Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant May, That the South Eastern Railway Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Commons Regulation (Halifax) Provisional Order.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Board of Agriculture relating to the Regulation of High Road, *Well Moor*, in the Borough of *Halifax*: And that Mr. *Herbert Gardner* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Commons Regulation (Bexhill) Provisional Order.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Board of Agriculture relating to the Regulation of *Bexhill Down*, in the County of *Sussex*: And that Mr. *Herbert Gardner* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade, under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to *Blacksness*: And that Mr. *Burt* and Mr. *Bryce* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 5.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Rural Sanitary District of *Mountmellick*: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 6.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Kilkenny*: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Commons Regulation (Halifax) Provisional Order Bill.
Bill 255.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Board of Agriculture relating to the Regulation of High Road, *Well Moor*, in the Borough of *Halifax*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Commons Regulation (Bexhill) Provisional Order Bill.
Bill 256.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Board of Agriculture relating to the Regulation of *Bexhill Down*, in the County of *Sussex*: And the same was read the first time;

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill.
Bill 257.

Mr. *Burt* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade, under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to *Blacksness*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill.
Bill 258.

Mr. *John Morley* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Rural Sanitary District of *Mountmellick*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No 6) Bill.
Bill 259

Mr. *John Morley* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Kilkenny*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Vide Tenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Education (England and Wales) (Endowed Schools Acts.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Committee of Council on Education of the Proceedings of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*, under the Endowed Schools Acts, 1869 to 1889, for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks Act, 1883.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twelfth Report of the Comptroller General of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks, for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Opium (Royal Commission.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Supplement to the Report of the Royal Commission on Opium, (Note by the Maharajah *Bahadur* of *Durbhanga*, K.C.I.E.)

Polling Districts (West Riding of Yorkshire)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Resolutions passed by the County Council of the West Riding of *Yorkshire*, constituting and altering Polling Districts and assigning Polling Places thereto.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Royal University of Ireland.

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirteenth Annual Report, being for 1894, of the Royal University of *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Habitual Offenders, &c. (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary for *Scotland* of the Departmental Committee on Habitual Offenders, Vagrants, Beggars, and Inebriates in *Scotland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 9) 1895.

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between *Great Britain* and *China* respecting the Junction of the *Chinese*

Chinese and *Burmese* Telegraph Lines. Signed at *Tien-tsin*, 6th September 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Parliamentary Electors in Counties (Scotland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing with respect to each County or Division of a County in *Scotland*, the Number of Parliamentary Electors on the Register, distinguishing them according to their Qualifications, and in the case of Ownership and Occupation Voters setting forth separately those resident in the Constituency and those non-resident therein, in the following form:—

Counties or Divisions of Counties.	Number of Electors entered on the Register for 1895.											
	(1) Owners or Life Renters.				(2) Tenants or Occupiers.				(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Resident in the Constituency.	Resident outside the Geographical Boundary of the Constituency.	Resident in a Parliamentary Burgh within the Geographical Boundary of the Constituency.	Total.	Resident in the Constituency.	Resident outside the Geographical Boundary of the Constituency.	Resident in a Parliamentary Burgh within the Geographical Boundary of the Constituency.	Total.	Lodgers.	Electors not included in preceding Columns.	Total of Registered Electors.	Remarks.

—(Sir *George Trevelyan.*)

Parliamentary Electors in Burghs (Scotland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing with respect to each Parliamentary Burgh, Division of a Burgh, or District of Burghs in *Scotland*, the Number of Parliamentary Electors on the Register, distinguishing them according to their Qualifications, and in the case of Tenants or Occupiers setting forth separately those resident in the Constituency and those non-resident therein, in the following form:—

Parliamentary Burghs or Groups of Burghs.	Number of Electors entered on the Register for 1895.						
	(1)	(2) Tenants or Occupiers.			(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
	Owners.	Resident in the Constituency.	Non-resident.	Total.	Lodgers.	Electors not included in the preceding Columns.	Total of registered Electors.	Remarks.

—(Sir *George Trevelyan.*)

City Church Fund.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Sums of Money paid over to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners by the Trustees of the Central Governing Body of the City Parochial Charities in respect of the Surplus Income of the City Church Fund, as provided by Clause 52 of the Central Scheme; together with particulars of the application of such Sums required by the City Parochial Charities Act, 1883, Section 14 (a).—(Mr. *Alban Gibbs.*)

House of Commons (Vacating of Seats.) (First Report.) No. 272.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Vacating of Seats); That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee, with an Appendix, be printed.

Croydon Borough (Writ.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Croydon*, in the room of the Honourable *Sidney Herbert*, who, since his Election for the said Borough of *Croydon*, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke*, *Desborough*, and *Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.—(Mr. *Akers Douglas.*)

Leigh and South Central Lancashire Railway Bill [Preamble not proved.]

Mr. *Samuel Hoare* reported from the Committee on the *Leigh* and South Central *Lancashire* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Weston-super-Mare) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Weston-super-Mare* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Greenock Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to alter and extend the Powers of the Trustees of the Port and Harbours of *Greenock* in relation to the warehousing of Goods, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Hayward's Heath Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Hayward's Heath* Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London Street Tramways Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* Street Tramways Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Weston-super-Mare) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 260.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Weston-super-Mare*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Greenock Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Greenock* Harbour Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Bills of Exchange (Summary Judgment) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday next, the Bills of Exchange (Summary Judgment) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of June next.

Registration of Firms Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday next, the Registration of Firms Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of June next.

Grocers' Certificates (Scotland) Abolition Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 5th day of June next, the Grocers' Certificates (*Scotland*) Abolition Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of June next.

The

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Ecclesiastical Corporations and Bishops).

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, after the word "such," to insert the words "and "no Bishop, Priest, or Deacon of the Church in "*Wales* shall by reason of his ecclesiastical "position, or of his being a Bishop, or Priest or "Deacon, be disqualified from or liable to any "penalty for sitting or voting in the House of "Commons: Provided always that he holds no "benefice or ecclesiastical preferment in *Eng-"land*."—(Mr. *Dodd*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, after the word "such" to insert the words "and "no person shall, by reason only of his being a "Bishop or Priest or Deacon of the Church in "*Wales*, be disqualified or liable to any penalty "for sitting or voting in the House of Commons." —(Mr. Secretary *Asquith*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 20, to leave out the words "at the passing of this "Act," in order to insert the words "on the "date of disestablishment."—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Question, That the words "at the passing of "this Act" stand part of the Clause,——put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 21, after the last Amendment, to insert the word "Chancellor."—(Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*.)

Question proposed, That the word "Chancellor" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, to leave out the words "title and."—(Mr. *Bartley*).

Question proposed, That the words "title and" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, to leave out sub-section (3).—(Sir *John Gorst*.)

Question put, That the words "Writ of "summons shall be issued to Bishops not dis-"qualified by this" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 297.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Brynmôr Jones*, Mr. *Lloyd-George*: } 161.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Transfer of Property).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6, to leave out the words "*Welsh* Commissioners," in order to insert the word "Council."—(Mr. *Lloyd-George*.)

Question put, That the words "*Welsh* Commissioners" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 198.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*: } 188.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8, to leave out the words "or Queen *Anne*'s Bounty."—(Mr. *Tomlinson*.)

Question put, That the word "or" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 183.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Tomlinson*, Mr. *Bartley*: } 165.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 11, after the word "property" to insert the words "situated in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire*."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Mr. *Wyndham*: } 186.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 200.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 11, after the word "vested" to insert the words "except churchyards and consecrated burial "grounds."—(Mr. *Stanley Leighton*.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, ——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 11, after the word "vested," to insert the words "which is ascertained to have been given to the Church by Parliamentary grant, and."—(Mr. *Macdona*.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Macdona*, Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*: } 183.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 192.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 12, to leave out the words "or is appropriated to the "use of."—(Sir *Richard Temple*.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 182.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Richard Temple*, Mr. *Bucknill*: } 169.

Tuesday, 21*st May*, 1895:

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Finance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Finance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved. That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Light Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Police Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Standing Committee (Scotland.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant May, That, in addition to the two Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order No. 47, a Standing Committee shall be appointed for the consideration of all Bills introduced by a Minister of the Crown relating exclusively to *Scotland*, which may, by Order of the House, be committed to them, and that the provisions of Standing Order No. 47 shall apply to the said Standing Committee:

That the said Standing Committee do consist of all the Members representing *Scottish* Constituencies, together with Fifteen other Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection, who shall have regard in such appointment to the approximation of the balance of parties in the Committee to that of the whole House, and who shall have power from time to time to discharge the Members so nominated by them, and to appoint others in substitution of those discharged:

That Standing Orders Nos. 49 and 50 do apply to the said Standing Committee—(Sir *George Trevelyan*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Commons and Open Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons and Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of April last, That the Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill, be discharged;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Court of Criminal Appeal [Costs.]

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee on Court of Criminal Appeal [Costs], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of any Costs incurred in *Ireland*, on an Appeal, or Case stated under the provisions of any Act of the present Session for the creation of a Court of Criminal Appeal and Revision of Sentences.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means [17th May] Report. Consolidated Fund.

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, the Sum of £. 7,855,268, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Consolidated Fund (No. 2.)

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. *Mellor*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending on the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Game Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Game Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Office Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* Office Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Special Juries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Special Juries Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Peers' Disabilities Removal Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cheap Trains (London) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains (*London*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Newspapers (Registration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Newspapers (Registration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant May, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed this day.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Church Patronage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Church Patronage Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant May, That the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887)

(1887) Repeal Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilites Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day

Education Endowments (Ireland) (Limerick Diocesan Schools.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Consent from so much of Paragraph 6 of Scheme 90, framed by the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Commissioners, relating to the *Limerick* Diocesan Schools Endowments, which provides for the conveyance and release by the Commissioners of all their estate and interest in the lands, buildings, and premises described in the First Schedule thereto, Part IV., subject as therein to the Rev. *James Fitzgerald Gregg* on the notice and payments therein set forth by him to the Commissioners in that behalf to be given and made; and to disapprove of that part of said Scheme which makes the default by the said Rev. *James Fitzgerald Gregg* in giving said notice or making said payments within certain times therein set forth, a condition precedent to the Commissioners putting up for sale by public auction and selling to the best advantage all their estate and interest in the said premises subject as aforesaid, and conveying same to the purchaser thereof; and to disapprove of any part of the said Scheme which, if retained therein, will operate to compel or allow the Commissioners to take any course with regard to the said premises other than to put up for sale and sell to the best advantge all their estate and interest therein, and convey same subject as aforesaid to the purchaser thereof—(Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Knox*:	92.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Ross*:	87.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to withhold Her Consent from so much of Paragraph 6 of Scheme 90, framed by the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Commissioners, relating to the *Limerick* Diocesan Schools Endowments, which provides for the conveyance and release by the Commissioners of all their estate and interest in the lands, buildings, and premises described in the First Schedule thereto, Part IV., subject as therein to the Rev. *James Fitzgerald Gregg* on the notice and payments therein set forth by him to the Commissioners in that behalf to be given and made; and to disapprove of that part of said Scheme which makes the default by the said Rev. *James Fitzgerald Gregg* in giving said notice or making said payments within certain times therein set forth, a condition precedent to the Commissioners putting up for sale by public auction and selling to the best advantage all their estate and interest in the said premises subject as aforesaid, and conveying same to the purchaser thereof; and to disapprove of any part of the said Scheme which, if retained therein, will operate to compel or allow the Commissioners to take any course with regard to the said premises other than to put up for sale and sell to the best advantage all their estate and interest therein, and convey same subject as aforesaid to the purchaser thereof.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

Wines Imported.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Statistics giving, degree by degree, the strength of Wines Imported into this Country during the year 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 96, of Session 1894).—(Sir *Frederick Seager Hunt*.)

And it being twenty-five minutes after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, pursuant to the Standing Order, without Question put, till this day.

Tuesday, 21*st May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Downing College Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order [*Strabane* Canal] Bill.

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [*Caledonian* and *Crinan* Canals] Bill.

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [River *Ouse* (*Beds.* and *Hunts.*) &c.] Bill.

Pilotage Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Midland Railway Bill.

The Midland Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [*Lords.*].

Ordered, That the North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Railway and Canal Traffic Acts, 1888 to 1894.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order made by the Board of Trade, pursuant to Section 1, Sub-section (5), of the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

Sir *John Lubbock* reported from the Select Committee on the Shops (Early Closing) Bill; That they had considered the said Bill, and taken Evidence thereon, which they had agreed to report to the House; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 273.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Bill 261.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next; and be printed.

Salmon Fisheries (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday the 30th day of this instant May, the Salmon Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed, and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed, and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Vale of Glamorgan Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Private Bills (Group C.)

Mr. *Mount* reported from the Committee on Group C of Private Bills; That the parties opposing the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) (*Moy* River Order) Bill had stated that the evidence of *John Garvey*, District Registrar at *Ballina*, County *Mayo*, was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *John Garvey* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *John Garvey* do attend the said Committee on Group C of Private Bills To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Earldom of Selborne.

No. 302.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the Select Committee on the Earldom of *Selborne*; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had agreed to the following Report, which was read, as followeth:

The Select Committee appointed to inquire and report whether the Honourable *William Waldegrave Palmer*, commonly called Viscount *Wolmer*, has since his election to this House succeeded to the Earldom of *Selborne*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, have agreed to the following Report:—

The Committee having considered the matters referred to them, and having taken evidence thereon, report: That the Honourable *William Waldegrave Palmer*, commonly called Viscount *Wolmer*, has since his election to this House succeeded to the Earldom of *Selborne*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Edinburgh (West Division) Writ.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Burgh of *Edinburgh* (West Division), in the room of the Honourable *William Waldegrave Palmer*, commonly called Viscount *Wolmer*, now Earl of *Selborne*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom —(Mr. *Anstruther*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. *Dalziel*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Dalziel*, Mr. *Byles*: } 109.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Anstruther*, Mr. *Austen Chamberlain*: } 343.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Original Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *Archibald Grove* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined

declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Burgh of *Edinburgh* (West Division), in the room of the Honourable *William Waldegrave Palmer*, commonly called Viscount *Wolmer*, now Earl of *Selborne*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. *Anstruther*.)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Edinburgh and District Water Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Edinburgh* and District Water Bill, without Amendment.

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbour (Steam Vessels) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Fishguard* and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbour (Steam Vessels) Bill, without Amendment.

Scarborough Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Scarborough* Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

York New Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *York* New Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Waterford and Limerick Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Great Northern Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Great Northern Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Whitby Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Whitby* Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Acton) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Acton* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Bristol) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Bristol* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Hornsey) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Hornsey* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Orders Confirmation (Leeds) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Leeds* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Liverpool) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Liverpool* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Lowestoft) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitlued, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Lowestoft* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Manchester) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Manchester* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Pwllheli) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Pwllheli* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Carrickfergus Town Commissioners Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Municipal Commissioners of the Borough of *Carrickfergus* to levy Rates for Sanitary Purposes, to divide the County of the Town of *Carrickfergus* into Urban and Rural Sanitary Districts, to constitute the Commissioners the Sanitary Authority for those Districts respectively, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Land Transfer Bill.

The Lords give leave to the Lord High Chancellor to attend in order to his being examined as a witness before the Select Committee appointed by this House on the Land Transfer Bill, his Lordship in his place consenting.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Acton) Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 262.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Acton*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Bristol) Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 263.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Bristol*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Hornsey) Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 264.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Hornsey*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Elementary Education Provisional Orders Confirmation (Leeds) Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 265.

The Elementary Education Provisional Orders Confirmation (*Leeds*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Liverpool) Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 266.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Liverpool*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Lowestoft) Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 267.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Lowestoft*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Manchester) Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 268.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Manchester*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

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Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Pwllheli) Bill [Lords.] Bill 269.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Pwllheli*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Carrickfergus Town Commissioners Bill [Lords.]

The *Carrickfergus* Town Commissioners Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Tied (Tenants) Houses.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Licensing Laws relating to Tied Houses: And that Mr. *Broadhurst*, Mr. *Fletcher Moulton*, Mr. *Logan*, Mr. *Hazell*, Mr. *Charles M'Laren*, and Mr. *Brunner* do prepare, and bring it in.

Tied (Tenants) Houses Bill. Bill 270.

Mr. *Broadhurst* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Licensing Laws relating to Tied Houses: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next; and to be printed.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Transfer of property).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 14, after the word "office," to insert the words "except organs, bells, fonts, communion tables, "and other fixed or moveable furniture, plate, "books, or other chattels belonging to any "cathedral or other church, chapel, or building, "affected by this Act, or used in connection "with the divine worship of the Church, which "said excepted property shall remain and be the "property of the ecclesiastical corporations or "person or other officers to whom they shall "belong at the date of disestablishment, and of "the corporations, persons, or officers on whom "such of the duties of such ecclesiastical or "other persons or corporations as shall subsist "after disestablishment shall devolve, or by "whom they shall be duly and legally per-"formed."—(Mr. *Tomlinson*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 14, after the words "last inserted," to insert the words, "Provided always that, in the case of "any rural parish the parish council, or where "there is no parish council the parish meeting, "and in any other case the council of any "county borough or urban district composing "the parish, may determine that the property "appropriated to the use of an ecclesiastical "office in the parish shall not be so transferred, "and such a decision shall not be reversed "during the occupancy of the holder of the "office at the time of such decision."—Mr. *Bartley*).

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Stanley Leighton*: } 226.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 244.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15, after the word "to," to insert the words "the "obligation to pay to the holder of any office in "the Church in *Wales* at the passing of this Act, "so long as he lives and continues to discharge "such duties in respect of his office as he was "accustomed to discharge, or would, if this "Act had not passed, been liable to discharge, "or any other duties in *Wales* or *Monmouthshire* "which may be substituted for them, with his "own consent and with the consent of the repre-"sentative body of the Church in *Wales* herein-"after mentioned, or if not discharging such "duties shall be disabled from so doing by age, "sickness, or permanent infirmity, or by any "other cause other than his own wilful default, "an annuity equal to the annual value of the "emoluments of such office after deducting rates, "taxes, and other outgoings to which the holder "is liable by law, and subject also to."—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach*.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: } 136.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 164.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 17, to leave out the words "except tithe rent-charge." —(Sir *Francis Powell*.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 174.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Francis Powell*, Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*: } 141.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 17, after the word "interests," to insert the words "as defined by this Act."—(Viscount *Cranborne*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18, after the word "aforesaid," to insert the words "and of all cathedral corporations as aforesaid." —(Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 192.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: } 174.

Wednesday, 22*nd May*, 1895:

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, at Two of the clock.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation

ciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next at Two of the clock.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Court of Session Consignations (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision in regard to the Consignation of Money in the Court of Session in *Scotland*, and for other purposes: And that the Lord Advocate, Sir *George Trevelyan*, Mr. Solicitor General for *Scotland*, and Mr. *Munro Ferguson* do prepare, and bring it in.

Court of Session Consignations (Scotland) Bill. Bill 271.

The Lord Advocate accordingly presented a Bill to make provision in regard to the Consignation of Money in the Court of Session in *Scotland*, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Letting of Sporting Rights Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Letting of Sporting Rights Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Law Agents (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law Agents (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Small Tenants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Small Tenants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

Technical Education (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Technical Education (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

Purchase of Land Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of June next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant May, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed upon Wednesday the 29th day of this instant May.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant May, That the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal Bill, be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards

Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 22*nd May*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ayr Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ambleside Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill [*Lords*.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Ambleside* Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order [Strabane Canal] Bill.

The Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order [*Strabane* Canal] Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [Caledonian and Crinan Canals] Bill.

The Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [*Caledonian* and *Crinan* Canals] Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [River Ouse (Beds. and Hunts.) &c.] Bill.

The Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [River *Ouse* (*Beds.* and *Hunts.*), &c.] Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Pilotage Provisional Order Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pilotage Provisional Order Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules and Programme of Examinations for 1896, made by the Intermediate Education Board for *Ireland*, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by Mr. *Wilson Fox*, Assistant Commissioner, Royal Commission on Agriculture, on the County of *Suffolk*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1540.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 359 and 360.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mint.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the Deputy Master of the Mint, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Committees (Ascension Day.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Committees do not sit To-morrow, being Ascension Day, until Two of the clock—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "except the Standing Committee on "Trade, &c., to which the Factories and Work-"shops Bill is committed."—(Mr. *Byles*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*:	94.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Byles*, Mr. *Woods*:	82.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Committees do not sit To-morrow, being Ascension Day, until Two of the clock.

Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill.

The Agricultural Education in Elementary School Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures)—(Mr. *Martin*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

Workmen's Accidents (Compensation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Accidents (Compensation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of June next.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of June next.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill.

The Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure—(Mr. *Byrne*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

Town Leaseholds Extension (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town Leaseholds Extension (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Companies Acts (Registration of Debentures) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 7th day of June next.

Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Borough Funds Act (1872) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of April last, That the Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 19th day of June next.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parliamentary Elections Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday uext.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Mode of appeal).

An Amendment made.

Question proposed, That the Clause as amended, stand part of the Bill;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Bromley Davenport*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 4, and N° 5, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 6, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of June next.

Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of June next.

Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Factory and Workshop Act (1891) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of June next.

Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Merchandise Marks (Cheese) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Cheese) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Church Patronage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Church Patronage Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance Bill.

The Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant May, That the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

District Councils Water Supply Facilities.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give Facilities to District Councils and Landowners to charge Estates for providing Supplies of Pure Water thereto: And that Colonel *Cotton-Jodrell*, Mr. *Walter M'Laren*, Mr. *Roundell*, and Mr. *Tollemache* do prepare, and bring it in.

District Councils Water Supply Facilities Bill. Bill 272.

Colonel *Cotton-Jodrell* accordingly presented a Bill to give Facilities to District Councils and Landowners to charge Estates for providing Supplies of Pure Water thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of June next; and to be printed.

Steam Engines (Persons in Charge) Bill. (Special Report.) No. 274.

Sir *Edward Hill* reported from the Select Committee to whom the Steam Engines (Persons in Charge) Bill was referred; That they had agreed to the following Special Report:

1. Your Committee met for the consideration of the Bill.

2. A Resolution was carried to the effect that no evidence should be taken on the subject of Agricultural Engines, Public Railways or Steamships.

3. Whereupon your Committee feeling that under the circumstances it is not desirable to proceed with the Bill referred to them, inasmuch as the subject in their opinion could not adequately be dealt with, decided not to proceed further with the Bill.

Sir *Edward Hill* further reported from the Select Committee on the Bill; That they had agreed to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report and the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills. Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

Mr. *Walter Long* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That, in the case of the *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill, they had examined the allegations in the preamble of the Bill, as amended, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills. Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill.

Mr. *Walter Long* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That, in the case of the *Southend-on-Sea* Corporation Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and had found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Railway Bills (Group 5.)

Mr. *Samuel Hoare* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Provisional Order relating to Moy Order not confirmed; remaining Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mount* reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No 1) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the Provisional Order relating to the *Moy* River ought not to be confirmed; that the other Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Title amended.

Mr. *Mount* further reported from the Committee; That they had amended the Title, as followeth: A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to *Minehead*, *Morecambe*, and *Woody Bay*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Public Petitions (Tenth Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th and 20th days of this instant May, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 23*rd May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Hayward's Heath Gas Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Hayward's Heath* Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London Street Tramways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London* Street Tramways Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Aire* and *Calder* Navigation Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd Gas Board Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Rhymney Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Rhymney* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Uxbridge and Rickmansworth Railway Bill.

The *Uxbridge* and *Rickmansworth* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant May, That the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order Bills.

Resolved, That all Bills of the present Session to confirm Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, containing the Classification of Merchandise Traffic and the Schedule of Maximum Rates, Tolls, and Charges applicable thereto, be referred to a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate this Resolution, and to desire their concurrence: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. *Burt*.)

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Pilotage Provisional Order Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Pilotage Provisional Order Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 208.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Gibson Bowles*, Mr. *J. D. Palmer*: } 153.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

The

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [Lords.]

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill, and Examiner's Report thereon of the 16th day of this instant May, be referred back to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed: and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Bank of Bolton Bill [Lords] [Costs awarded.]

Mr. *W. G. Mount* reported from the Committee on the Bank of *Bolton* Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Mr. *W. G. Mount* further reported from the Committee; That they are unanimously of opinion that the Promoters of the Bill have been vexatiously subjected to expense in the promotion of the said Bill by the opposition of *Jonathan Dearden*, who was a Petitioner against the said Bill, and are entitled to recover from the said Petitioner, *viz.*, *Jonathan Dearden*, all the costs and expenses which they, the said Promoters, *viz.*, Bank of *Bolton*, Limited, have incurred by reason of the opposition of the said *Jonathan Dearden*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Pilotage.

No 275.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Abstract of Returns relating to Pilots and Pilotage in the United Kingdom (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 160, of Session 1894) (as furnished by the various Pilotage Authorities), for the year ended 31st December 1894.

Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870.

Copy of Report by the Board of Trade as to dispensing with the Consents of Local and Road Authorities in the case of certain Gas and Water Provisional Orders.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Pilotage be printed.

Land in Wales and Monmouthshire (Royal Commission.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Royal Commission on Land in *Wales* and *Monmouthshire*, with Appendix of Documents, Vol. IV.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895-96 (Vote on Account.)

No. 276.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimate showing the several Services for which a further Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1896.

Civil Services Additional Estimate, 1895-96 (British East Africa.)

No. 277.

Estimate of the Amount required in the year ending 31st March 1896 as a Grant to the Imperial *British East Africa* Company on their Retirement from *East Africa*.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Irish Land Commission (Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1891.)

No. 278.

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return by the *Irish* Land Commission of Advances under the Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Act, 1891, up to and including the 31st March 1895, as required by Section 33 of that Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders.

No. 279.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Order included in the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

West Highland Railway Guarantee (Banavie to Mallaig Line.)

No. 280.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence relating to the West Highland Railway Guarantee (*Banavie* to *Mallaig* Line).

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Acts Extension Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Acts Extension Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of June next.

Allotments and Cottage Gardens.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Allotments and Cottage Gardens: And that Mr. *Herbert Gardner* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Allotments and Cottage Gardens Bill.

Bill 273.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Allotments and Cottage Gardens: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cremer* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on the Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hazell* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Drafting of Bills.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. *Blake* be a Member of the Select Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords on Drafting of Bills—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*);

Mr. Speaker puts the Question that the Debate be now adjourned pursuant to S. O. No. 16.

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief statement from a Member who opposed the Motion, and a reply from the Mover, Mr. Speaker put the Question, That the Debate be now adjourned, in pursuance of Standing Order, No. 16.

And the Question was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Finance Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 3, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Addition to Excise Duty on Beer).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 38, at the end of the Clause to add the words, "Provided that "no such additional Duty be leviable upon Worts "made wholly from Home-grown Barley and "Hops."—(Mr. *James Lowther*.)

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *James Lowther*, Colonel *Brookfield*:	61.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*:	190.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 5 to N° 16, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 17 (Grant of Duty of Income Tax, and application of Acts).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 10, after the word "threepence" to insert the words, "Provided "that for purposes of exemption from or abate-"ment of the said Duties, the Income arising "from the occupation of such lands, tenements, "hereditaments, or heritages, shall be one-third "of the full annual value thereof."—(Commander *Bethell*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 6, l. 15, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "except that, in addition to the relief afforded "to the joint incomes of married persons under "Five hundred pounds a year, under Section "Thirty-four, Sub-section Two, of the Finance "Act, 1894, similar relief shall be afforded when "the wife's income is classified under, and the "Income Tax would be payable under, any "section of Schedules D. and E. of the Income "Tax Act, 1842."—(Mr. *Bartley*.)

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Loder*:	56.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*:	144.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 18 to N° 20, agreed to.

New Clause (Assessment of Land Tax),—(Mr. *Hanbury*),—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Standing Committee (Scotland.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant May, That, in addition to the two Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order, No. 47, a Standing Committee shall be appointed for the consideration of all Bills introduced by a Minister of the Crown relating exclusively to *Scotland*, which may, by Order of the House, be committed to them, and that the provisions of Standing Order No. 47 shall apply to the said Standing Committee:

That the said Standing Committee do consist of all the Members representing *Scottish* Constituencies, together with Fifteen other Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection, who shall have regard in such appointment to the approximation of the balance of parties in the Committee to that of the whole House, and who shall have power from time to time to discharge the Members so nominated by them, and to appoint others in substitution of those discharged:

That Standing Orders Nos. 49 and 50 do apply to the said Standing Committee—(Sir *George Trevelyan*);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question in l. 7, by leaving out from the word "of," to the word "and," in l. 11, and inserting the words "Eighty-seven Members nominated "by the Committee of Selection, who shall adjust "the relative proportion of parties in the Com-"mittee so as to be as far as practicable the "same as the relative proportion of parties in "the House, and who shall nominate as many "Members representing *Scottish* Constituencies "as is consistent with this condition,"—(Major *Darwin*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "all the Members representing *Scottish* "Constituencies, together with" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being proposed;

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 8, by leaving out the word "Fifteen" and inserting the word "Twenty,"—(The Lord Advocate),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "Fifteen" stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the word "Twenty" be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That, in addition to the two Standing Committees appointed under Standing Order No. 47, a Standing Committee shall be appointed for the consideration of all Bills introduced by a Minister of the Crown relating exclusively to *Scotland*, which may, by Order of the House, be committed to them, and that the provisions of Standing Order No. 47 shall apply to the said Standing Committee:

That the said Standing Committee do consist of all the Members representing *Scottish* Constituencies, together with Twenty other Members to be nominated by the Committee of Selection, who shall have regard in such appointment to the approximation of the balance of parties in the Committee to that of the whole House, and who shall have power from time to time to discharge the Members so nominatd by them, and to appoint others in substitution of those discharged:

That Standing Orders Nos. 49 and 50 do apply to the said Standing Committee.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant May, That the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Land Transfer (Consolidated Fund.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Transfer (Consolidated Fund);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 13th day of June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Two of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Perjury Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of April last, That the Order, That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill be discharged;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Order, That the House do resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the Perjury Bill be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Joint Committee on Statute Law Revision Bills and Consolidation Bills.

Statute Law Revision Bills, &c.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them that this House hath committed the Perjury Bill to the Joint Committee appointed by both Houses of Parliament to consider all Statute Law Revision Bills and Consolidation Bills of the present Session, and that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

In the Committee.

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 24*th May*, 1895:

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day, at Two of the clock.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day, at Two of the clock.

Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholders (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of June next.

Grocers' Licences Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grocers' Licences Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Labourers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Labourers (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Saturday the 15th day of June next.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Shops (Early Closing) (re-committed) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day, at Two of the clock.

Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon 22nd day of this instant May, That the Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of this instant May, That the Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Leaseholds Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day, at Two of the clock.

Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Women's Parliamentary and Local Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Intoxicating Liquors Licences (Scotland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Licences for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, the Renewal of which has been refused in the years 1893 and 1894 by the Licensing Magistrates in each Licensing District in *Scotland*, showing also the Result of Appeal (if any) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 497, of Session 1893–94.)—(Sir *George Trevelyan*.)

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 24*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Greenock Harbour Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Inclosure (*Castor* and *Ailsworth*) Provisional Order Bill.

Inclosure (*Upton Saint Leonards*) Provisional Order Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time upon Monday next.

Great Northern Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Great Northern Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Whitby Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Whitby* Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered,

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach) Bill.

Ordered, That the *London* County Council (*Tower Bridge* Southern Approach) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Merthyr Tydfil Local Board Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Merthyr Tydfil* Local Board Water Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 7.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Rural Sanitary District of *Rathdrum:* And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Provisional Order (Paisley.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Secretary for *Scotland*, under the Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Act, 1892, and the Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Act (1892) Amendment Act, 1894, to increase the Number of Magistrates and Councillors in the Burgh of *Paisley:* And that Sir *George Trevelyan* and the Lord Advocate do prepare, and bring it in.

Housing of the Working Classes Provisional Order (Aberdeen.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Secretary for *Scotland*, under Part I. of the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, relating to the City and Royal Burgh of *Aberdeen:* And that Sir *George Trevelyan* and the Lord Advocate do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bognor, Llandudno, Ramsgate, Runcorn, South Anston*, and *Walsall:* And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Cambridge, Durham, Isle of Ely, Huntingdon, Lancaster, Norfolk, Northampton, Westmorland*, West *Suffolk*, and the East, North, and West Ridings of *Yorkshire:* And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill.

Bill 274.

Mr. *John Morley* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Rural Sanitary District of *Rathdrum:* And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Provisional Order (Paisley) Bill.

Bill 275.

Sir *George Trevelyan* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Secretary for *Scotland*, under the Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Act, 1892, and the Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Act (1892) Amendment Act, 1894, to increase the Number of Magistrates and Conncillors in the Burgh of *Paisley:* And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Housing of the Working Classes Provisional Order (Aberdeen) Bill.

Bill 276.

Sir *George Trevelyan* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Secretary for *Scotland*, under Part I. of the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, 1890, relating to the City and Royal Burgh of *Aberdeen:* And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.

Bill 277.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bognor, Llandudno, Ramsgate, Runcorn, South Anston*, and *Walsall:* And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

Bill 278.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Cambridge, Durham, Isle of Ely, Huntingdon, Lancaster, Norfolk, Northampton, Westmorland*, West *Suffolk*, and the East, North, and West Ridings of *Yorkshire:* And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870.

No. 281.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, which was presented upon the 23rd day of this instant May, be printed.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report for 1894, No. 138 (*Bermuda*).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Polling Districts (Lancashire.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the County Council for the County Palatine of *Lancaster* re-dividing the *Widnes* Parliamentary Division into Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Day Industrial Schools (Scotland) Act, 1893, and Industrial Schools Acts.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, dated 11th May 1895, applying, with certain Modifications, to Certified Day Industrial Schools in *Scotland* the Provisions of the Iudustrial Schools Act, 1866, and Amending Acts.

Copy

India Office.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 11th May 1895, approving a Revised Scheme for the Permanent Establishment of the Secretary of State for *India* in Council.

International Copyright Acts, 1844 to 1886.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 11th May 1895, giving Effect to the Accession of the Government of *India* to the Copyright Convention between *Great Britain* and *Austria-Hungary*.

Mail Ships Act, 1891.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 11th May 1895, entitled, The Mail Ships (Rules) Order in Council, 1895.

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 11th May 1895, approving certain Bye-laws made under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, by the *Trinity House* in *Kingston-upon-Hull* with respect to the *Goole* Pilots Superannuation Fund.

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Copy of Order in Council, dated 11th May 1895, approving Bye-laws made by the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board as to the Contribution towards the Pilotage Funds of the *Liverpool* District to be made by the Masters and Mates of Vessels holding Pilotage Certificates under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894 (Cost of First Elections, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Particulars respecting the First Election of Parish Councils (*Scotland*) under the following Headings:—

1.	2.				3.	4.	5.		6.		7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.
Names of Parishes and Parish Wards, distinguishing Parishes and Wards in a Burgh or Police Burgh.	Number of Electors on Register.				Number of Electors who Voted at First Election.	Number of Parish Councillors—	Parishes and Parish Wards where no Contest took place.		Parishes and Parish Wards where Number nominated was less than Number to be elected.		Number of Women elected Parish Councillors.	Number of Councillors who were Members of Parochial Board in same Parish.	Cost of First Election recoverable from Parish Councils (excluding Cost of making up Register).	Cost (if any) of making up Register of Parish Electors for First Election.	Total Cost of First Election recoverable from Parish Councils.	Preliminary Expenditure (if any) incurred by County Council, Town Council, or Burgh Commissioners, in bringing the Act into operation, so far as not recoverable from Parish Councils (excluding the Cost of any Local Inquiry ordered by the Secretary for Scotland).	Name of County, Burgh, or Police Burgh, on which the Expenses mentioned in Column 12 fall.
	In Parish Ward.		Total in Parish.														
Parish. Parish Ward.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	In Parish Ward. Total in Parish.	In Parish Ward. Total in Parish.	Parish Ward. Parish.		Parish Ward. Parish.								

—(Captain *Hope*.)

Gas Undertakings.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom, other than those of Local Authorities, for the year ended the 31st day of December 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 286, of Session 1894.)—(Mr. *Burt*.)

Gas Undertakings (Local Authorities.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom belonging to Local Authorities, for the year ended the 25th day of March 1895 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 287, of Session 1894).—(Mr. *Burt*.)

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Jurors Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Labourers (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Saturday the 15th day of June next, the Labourers (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next.

Tied Houses (Tenants' Contracts) (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill dealing with Contracts entered into by Tenants of Tied Houses: And that Mr. *William Allen*, Sir *Charles Dilke*, Mr. *Caine*, Mr. *Philip Stanhope*, Mr. *Keir-Hardie*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Haldane*, Mr. *Lambert*, and Mr. *Dalziel* do prepare, and bring it in.

Parliamentary Voters' Registration.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law for the Registration of Parliamentary Voters, and for other purposes relating to Elections: And that Mr. *Cremer*, Mr. *William Abraham*, Mr. *John Wilson* (*Durham*), Mr. *Fenwick*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, and Mr. *Woods* do prepare, and bring it in.

Tied Houses (Tenants' Contracts) (No. 2) Bill. Bill 279.

Mr. *William Allen* presented a Bill dealing with Contracts entered into by Tenants of Tied Houses: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next; and to be printed.

Parliamentary Voters' Registration Bill. Bill 280.

Mr. *Cremer* presented a Bill to amend the Law for the Registration of Parliamentary Voters, and for other purposes relating to Elections: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of June next; and to be printed.

Finance Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

New Clause (Estate Duty) (Return of Duties)—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*)——brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Gibson Bowles*, Sir *Richard Temple*: } 78.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 168.

New Clause (Estate Duty) (Limit of Time for Disposition)—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*)——brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Gibson Bowles*, Sir *Richard Temple*: } 100.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 183.

New Clause (Estate Duty) (Extension of Time as to Gifts *inter vivos*)—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*)——brought up, and read the first time.

Motion

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Gibson Bowles*, Sir *Richard Temple*: } 110.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 197.

New Clause (Amendment of 57 and 58 *Vic.* c. 30, sec. 6)—(Dr. *Clark*)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Harry Foster*, Sir *Richard Temple*: } 151.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 198.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Supply Committee (Civil Service Estimates.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 17th day of this instant May, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee of Supply upon the Civil Service Estimates);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Main Question be now put";

And the Question being put, "That the Main Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 181.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Harry Foster*, Sir *Henry Fletcher*: } 116.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Estimates), 1895–96.)

And, it being after Seven of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House at Nine of the clock.

Evening Sitting.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House, having had before "it its Resolution of 30th June 1893, pressing "on the Government of *India* to continue their "policy of greatly diminishing the cultivation of "the poppy and the production and sale of "Opium, and having had presented to it the "Report of the Royal Commission, appointed "2nd September 1893, to inquire into various "matters connected with the cultivation of the "poppy in *India*, is of opinion that the system "by which the *Indian* Opium revenue is raised "is morally indefensible, and would urge upon "the *Indian* Government that they should cease "to grant licences for the cultivation of the "poppy and sale of Opium in *British India*, "except to supply the legitimate demand for "medical purposes, and that they should at "the same time take measures to arrest the "transit of *Malwa* Opium through *British* territory"—(Sir *Joseph Pease*),—instead thereof.

Opium Commission (Report.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Sir *Richard Temple* rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. *Darling* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put":—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

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And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: } 176.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Joseph Pease*, Mr. *John Ellis*: } 59.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Naval Works Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

The Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 4, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Smaller Dwellings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Smaller Dwellings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of June next.

Agricultural Holdings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Holdings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 27th day of June next.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of February last, That the Plumbers' Registration Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 17th day of June next.

Architects' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Architects' Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of this instant May, That the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 19th day of June next.

Merchandise Marks (Cheese) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Cheese) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commiteee on the Shops (Early Closing) (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Houses (Hours of Closing) (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of June next.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Cruelty to Animals (Scotland) Act (1850) Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Cruelty to Animals (*Scotland*) Act (1850) Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

Brymbo Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Brymbo* Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Regulation of *Scottish* Sea Fisheries; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The

Kingstown and Kingsbridge Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to further revive the Powers for the compulsory Purchase of Lands, and to further extend the Time limited for the Completion of certain of the Railways authorised by the *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway Act, 1887, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Trusts Administration.

The Lords request that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships a Copy of the Report, &c., of the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament on Trusts Administration.

Kingstown and Kingsbridge Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

Ordered, That the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 27*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Carrickfergus Town Commissioners Bill.

Liskeard and *Looe* Railway Extension Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Commons Regulation (*Bexhill*) Provisional Order Bill.

Commons Regulation (*Halifax*) Provisional Order Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and together with the Report of the 16th day of May, referred back to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills by Order of the House of the 23rd day of May, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Scarborough Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Scarborough* Gas Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

York New Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *York* New Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ambleside Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Ambleside* Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach) Bill.

The House according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *London* County Council (*Tower Bridge* Southern Approach) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Purchase of Estate or term in certain cases.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 28, l. 36, by leaving out from the word "objection," to the word "for," in p. 29, l. 14, and inserting the words, "(9) If (a) any "owner or owners of any lands comprised in the "initial valuation upon which a charge is pro-"posed to be placed who alone or together have "power to sell the fee simple of such lands sub-"ject to any lease or leases thereof, or (b) any "such owner or owners of any such lands, and "any lessee or lessees of the same for a term "having not less than twenty-one years unex-"pired at the date of the initial valuation, who "alone or together have power to surrender his "or their lease or leases so that the terms of "years thereby created shall merge in the fee "simple and inheritance of such lands, are of "opinion that such charge is greater than it "should be in reference to the enhancement or "supposed enhancement of the value of such "lands by reason of the improvement, they may "at any time within the said period of three "months (instead of giving any notice of ob-"jection under the preceding paragraph of this "section) by notice in writing served upon the "Council require the Council to purchase their "estate and interest in such lands, and the "Council shall thereupon purchase and take the "same accordingly at the value specified in the "initial valuation"—(Mr. *James Stuart*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Kimber*, Mr. *Alban Gibbs*: } 143.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *James Stuart*, Mr. *Lough*: } 186.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "(9) If (a) any owner or owners of any lands "comprised in the initial valuation upon which "a charge is proposed to be placed who alone or "together have power to sell the fee simple of "such lands subject to any lease or leases "thereof, or (b) any such owner or owners of "any such lands, and any lessee or lessees "of the same for a term having not less than "twenty-one years unexpired at the date of the "initial valuation, who alone or together have "power to surrender his or their lease or leases "so that the terms of years thereby created shall "merge in the fee simple and inheritance of such "lands, are of opinion that such charge is greater "than it should be in reference to the enhance-"ment or supposed enhancement of the value of "such lands by reason of the improvement, "they may at any time within the said period "of three months (instead of giving any notice of "objection under the preceding paragraph of this "section) by notice in writing served upon the "Council require the Council to purchase their "estate and interest in such lands, and the "Council shall thereupon purchase and take the "same accordingly at the value specified in the "initial valuation," be inserted after the word "objection," in p. 28, l. 36:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Downing College Bill [*Lords*.]

Ordered, That the *Downing* College Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [*Lords*.]

The Phœnix Assurance Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Sutton Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Sutton* Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Swansea Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Swansea* Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Grand Junction Canal (Warwick Canals Amalgamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Canal (*Warwick* Canals Amalgamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of June next.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Inclosure (Castor and Ailsworth) Provisional Order Bill.

The Inclosure (*Castor* and *Ailsworth*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Inclosure (Upton Saint Leonards) Provisional Order Bill.

The Inclosure (*Upton Saint Leonards*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1541.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Inverness Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Inverness-shire*, in the room of Dr. *Donald MacGregor*, who, since his election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

South Kensington Museum (Attendants and Messengers.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing all those Attendants, Messengers, and Technical Assistants who have been Superannuated from the Science and Art Department since 1890, and specifying in each case the effect on the Award of the Deduction from Wages made in 1890.—(Mr. *Whitmore*.)

East India Financial Statement, 1895–96.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the *East India* Financial Statement for 1895–96, and of the Proceedings thereon in the Legislative Council of *India*.—(Mr. Secretary *Fowler*.)

Income Tax Assessments, 1894.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Assessments to the Income Tax for the Year ending on the 5th day of April 1894 (in the same Classes and up to the same Amounts as stated in and in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 165, of Session 1894).—(Mr. *Bartley*.)

Income Tax Assessments, 1895.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Assessments to the Income Tax for the Year ending on the 5th day of April 1895 (in the same Classes and in the same Amounts, except as they are modified by the Provisions of the Finance Act, 1894, as stated in and in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 165, of Session 1894).—(Mr. *Bartley*.)

Metropolitan District Railway Bill.

Mr. *Samuel Hoare* reported from the Committee on the Metropolitan District Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

The

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Courts of Law Fees (Scotland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Courts of Law Fees (*Scotland*) Bill, without Amendment.

Aire and Calder Navigation Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Aire* and *Calder* Navigation Bill, without Amendment.

Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd Gas Board Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board Bill, without Amendment.

Rhymney Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Rhymney* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lanarkshire and Dumbartonshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further powers on the *Lanarkshire* and *Dumbartonshire* Railway Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Staffordshire Potteries Stipendiary Justice Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the *Staffordshire* Potteries Stipendiary Justice Acts, 1839 and 1871, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Belfast and Northern Counties Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the *Belfast* and Northern Counties Railway Company to make a Railway to *Magilligan Point*; to purchase the *Drapers-town* Railway from the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland*; to raise further Capital, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lanarkshire and Dumbartonshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Lanarkshire* and *Dumbartonshire* Railway Bill was read the first time;

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Staffordshire Potteries Stipendiary Justice Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Staffordshire* Potteries Stipendiary Justice Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Belfast and Northern Counties Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Belfast* and Northern Counties Railway Bill was read the first time;

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Volunteers (Military Service.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law as to the calling out of Volunteers for actual Military Service: And that Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* and Mr. *Woodall* do prepare, and bring it in.

Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

Bill 281.

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law as to the calling out of Volunteers for actual Military Service: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next; and to be printed.

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (No 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Apportionment by Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Queen *Anne*'s Bounty).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, to leave out the words, "or is the produce of, or "is, or has been, derived from."—(Mr. *Grant Lawson.*)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 27, to leave out the words "in whatever manner the "same is applied whether in *England* or *Wales*," in order to insert the words "which is applied "to the purposes of the Church in *Wales*."—(Sir *John Gorst.*)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 29, after the word "Act," to insert, as a new subsection, the words,—

"(2) Queen *Anne*'s Bounty shall forthwith, "after the passing of this Act, ascertain and by "order declare what property vested in them at "the passing of this Act—

"First, is property which (exclusive of the "money thirdly hereinafter mentioned) consists of, or issues out of, or is the produce "of, or is or has been derived from property situate in *Wales* or *Monmouthshire*;

"Secondly, consists (exclusive of the money "thirdly hereinafter mentioned) of capital "sums belonging to or appropriated to the "use of any ecclesiastical office or cathedral "corporation in the Church in *Wales*, or the "holder of any such office, or member of "any such corporation as such;

"Thirdly, consists of money arising from the "sale of parsonage houses in *Wales* or "*Monmouthshire*, or of money paid under "the Dilapidations Act, 1871, in respect of "any such parsonage house;

"and all property so ascertained and declared "shall be *Welsh* ecclesiastical property for the "purposes of this Act."—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to leave out all the words from the word "declare," in l. 2, to the end of the proposed Amendment, in order to insert the words,—

"Firstly, what property (other than money "the produce of parsonage houses sold or paid "under the Dilapidations Act, 1871, or property constituting private benefactions) "is, at the passing of this Act, or has at "any time been, vested in them, which consists or consisted of, or issues or issued "out of, or is or was the produce of, or is or "was derived from property situate in "*Wales* or *Monmouthshire*; and

"Secondly, what money (other than money "constituting private benefactions) has at "any time been expended by them in the "acquisition of tithe rent-charge or glebe "land (other than residence houses) for the "purposes of the Church in *Wales*;

"And the balance (if any) by which the value "of the property firstly ascertained exceeds the "moneys secondly ascertained shall be *Welsh*

"ecclesiastical property for the purposes of this "Act."—(Sir *Richard Webster*.)

Question proposed, That the words from the word "declare," in l. 2, to the word "situate," in l. 6, stand part of the proposed Amendment:—After Debate thereon;

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: 164.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Talbot*, Mr. *Heneage*: 125.

Question put accordingly, That the words from the word "declare," in l. 2, to the word "situate," in l. 6, stand part of the proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: 171.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: 137.

An Amendment made to the proposed Amendment.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 6, after the word "*Monmouth-shire*," to insert the words "and other than any "property derived from Parliamentary grants in "augmentation of Queen *Anne*'s Bounty."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*: 183.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: 205.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "sums," to insert the words "constituting private benefactions "within the meaning of this Act."—(Sir *Richard Webster*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made to the proposed Amendment.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 14, after the word "property," to insert the words "firstly and secondly."—(Sir *Richard Webster*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made to the proposed Amendment.

Question put, That the words—

"(2) Queen *Anne*'s Bounty shall forthwith, "after the passing of this Act, ascertain and by "order declare what property vested in them at "the passing of this Act—

"First, is property which (exclusive of the "money thirdly hereinafter mentioned) con-"sists of, or issues out of, or is the produce "of, or is or has been derived from property "belonging to the Church in *Wales* and "situate in *Wales* or *Monmouthshire*;

"Secondly, consists (exclusive of the money "thirdly hereinafter mentioned) of capital "sums belonging to or appropriated to the "use of any ecclesiastical office or cathedral "corporation in the Church in *Wales*, or the "holder of any such office, or member of "any such corporation as such;

"Thirdly, consists of money arising from the "sale of parsonage houses in *Wales* or *Mon-"mouthshire*, or of money paid under the "Dilapidations Act, 1871;

"and all property so ascertained and declared "shall be *Welsh* ecclesiastical property for the "purposes of this Act. Provided always that no "part of the governors' general fund shall be "deemed to consist of or issue out of, or be the "produce of, or be derived from property situate "in *Wales* or *Monmouthshire*, by reason only of "its being invested in the debenture or other "stock of any railway company owning property "so situate," be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton*: 196.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: 172.

Tuesday, 28*th May*, 1895:

And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Finance Bill.

The Finance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant May, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per Cent.* on £. 260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a Sum of Money, not exceeding £. 30,000, to that Company; and to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those Moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums as may be necessary for those purposes—(Sir *John Hibbert*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 10th day of June next.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Police Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Commons and Open Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons and Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 10th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Court of Session Consignations (Scotland) Bill.

The Court of Session Consignations (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Allotments and Cottage Gardens Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments and Cottage Gardens Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Drafting of Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 23rd day of this instant May, That Mr. *Blake* be a Member of the Select Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords on Drafting of Bills—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant May, That the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next.

Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next.

Land Tenure (England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Tenure (*England*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of June next.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 10th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Payment of Jurors (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Payment of Jurors (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Office Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* Office Abolition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of June next.

Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Married Persons' Small Industrial Income Tax Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 27th day of June next.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Cheap Trains (London) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains (*London*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next.

Farm Servants' Holiday (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farm Servants' Holiday (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Church Patronage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Church Patronage Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant May, That the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 13th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of this instant May, That the Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure.

Law, &c.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Shops (Early Closing) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Shops (Early Closing) (recommitted) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 19th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (England) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (*England*) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (*Scotland*) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Plumbers' Registration Bill.

The Order for resuming, upon Monday the 17th day of June next, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 14th day of February last, That the Plumbers' Registration Bill be now read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 24th day of June next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 28*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

The *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Brymbo Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Brymbo* Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Bank of Bolton Bill [*Lords*.]

The Bank of *Bolton* Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [*Lords*] [Stamp Duties.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the imposition of certain Stamp Duties upon certain Memorials under any Act of the present Session relating to the Phœnix Assurance Company—(Dr. *Farquharson*);

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Commons Regulation (Bexhill) Provisional Order Bill.

The Commons Regulation (*Bexhill*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Commons Regulation (Halifax) Provisional Order Bill.

The Commons Regulation (*Halifax*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 8.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Kells*: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 9.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Londonderry*: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Order.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order, under the Drainage and Improvement of Lands (*Ireland*) Acts, 1862 to 1892, relating to the *Carrigrohane*, *Maglin*, and *Ballincollig* Drainage District, County *Cork*: And that Sir *John Hibbert* and Mr. *John Morley* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the City of *Liverpool*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the *Kettering*, the *Upton-upon-Severn* and *Pershore*, and the *Wath* and North *Rotherham* Joint Hospital Districts: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Berks*, *Carnarvon*, *Derby*, *Dorset*, the Parts of *Lindsey*, *Merioneth*, *Nottingham*, *Somerset*, *Southampton*, *Wilts*, and the West Riding of *Yorkshire*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board, under the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, relating to *Leigh*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill.

Mr. *John Morley* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Kells*: And the same was read the first time.

Bill 282.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill.

Mr. *John Morley* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Londonderry*: And the same was read the first time.

Bill 283.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Order Bill.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Drainage and Improvement of Lands (*Ireland*) Acts, 1863 to 1892, relating to the *Carrigrohane*, *Maglin*, and *Ballincollig* Drainage District, County *Cork*: And the same was read the first time.

Bill 284.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill. Bill 285.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the City of *Liverpool*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill. Bill 286.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the *Kettering*, the *Upton-upon-Severn* and *Pershore*, and the *Wath* and North *Rotherham* Joint Hospital Districts: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill. Bill 287.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Berks*, *Carnarvon*, *Derby*, *Dorset*, the Parts of *Lindsey*, *Merioneth*, *Nottingham*, *Somerset*, *Southampton*, *Wilts*, and the West Riding of *Yorkshire*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes (No. 2) Bill. Bill 288.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board, under the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, relating to *Leigh*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

London, Deptford, and Greenwich Tramways Bill.

The Order, made upon the 14th day of March last, That the *London*, *Deptford*, and *Greenwich* Tramways Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London County Council (Money) Bill. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *London* County Council (Money) Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Poole Harbour Bill [*Lords.*] *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Poole* Harbour Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

South Eastern Railway Bill [*Lords*] *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the South Eastern Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions. Vide Eleventh Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Special Reports of the Board of Trade under Section 1 of "The Electric Lighting Act, 1888."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Court of Session Consignations (Scotland) [Advance.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the advance, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sum as may be necessary to meet any deficiency in the moneys in the hands of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, under any Act of the present Session, to make provision in regard to the Consignation of Money in the Court of Session in *Scotland*; and also of authorising the Treasury to pay to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings a sum for the purpose of carrying out certain works and improvements pursuant to the said Act—(Sir *George Trevelyan*);

Sir *George Trevelyan*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 289.

The Archdeaconry of *Cornwall* Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next; and to be printed.

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

Sir *Samuel Hoare* reported from the Committee on the *Lancashire*, *Derbyshire* and East Coast Railway Bill; That, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 7th day of May, the Committee had made provision in the Bill for extending the time for the purchase of land and completion of certain authorised Railways and works, and also for the abandonment of a short Branch Railway which the other provisions of the Bill rendered unnecessary.

Mr. *Samuel Hoare* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by inserting recitals as to the additional provision made in the Bill, and also as to attaching a preferential dividend to a limited portion of the share capital; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Law, &c. Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill. No. 282.

Sir *Matthew White Ridley* reported from the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, to whom the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill was committed; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Bill 290.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 26th day of June next; and be printed.

Selection (Standing Committees.) Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing),

Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures: Mr. *Charles Fenwick* and Mr. *Howell;* and had appointed in substitution: Mr. *Archibald Grove* and Mr. *Havelock Wilson.*

Standing Committee (Scotland.)

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee (*Scotland*) the following Twenty Members: Mr. *Arthur Balfour*, Mr. *Gerald Balfour*, Commander *Bethell*, Mr. *Cayzer*, Sir *Charles Dalrymple*, Major *Darwin*, Lord *Elcho*, Sir *James Fergusson*, Mr. *Goschen*, Sir *William Houldsworth*, Mr. *Jebb*, Mr. *Jeffreys*, Mr. *Seton-Karr*, Mr. *James William Lowther*, Sir *William Pearce*, Mr. *Power*, Mr. *Ritchie*, Mr. *T. W. Russell*, Mr. *Scott Montagu*, and Lord *Willoughby d'Eresby.*

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Leaseholds Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, Tomorrow, the Leaseholds Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of June next.

Adjournment (Derby Day.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House at its rising do adjourn until Thursday next—(Mr. *Maclure*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Maclure*, Colonel *Loyd:* } 174.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton:* } 221.

So it passed in the Negative.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

In the Committee.

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Apportionment by Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Queen *Anne*'s Bounty).

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 40, after the word "section" to insert the words "shall declare what part of the *Welsh* ecclesiastical property referred to in the Orders constitutes private benefactions within the meaning of this Act and."—(Sir *Richard Webster.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton:* } 221.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond:* } 194.

CLAUSE, N° 5 (Private benefactions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 4, to leave out from the word "which," to the word "since," in l. 6, in order to insert the words "has been given to the Church by any person or persons whatsoever."—(Mr. *Tritton.*)

Question put, That the words "consists of" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton:* } 188.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Tritton*, Mr. *Boscawen:* } 157.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, after the word "been," to insert the words "or may be legally presumed to have been."—(Mr. *Tomlinson.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, after the words "given by," to insert the words "grants from Parliament and by."—(Mr. *Bartley.*)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Talbot:* } 111.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton:* } 146.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith*)——put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 13th day of June next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Naval Works Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Schedule.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26, in right hand column, to leave out "80,000," in order to insert "60,000."—(Mr. *Egerton Allen.*)

Question put, That "80,000" stand part of the Schedule;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *Causton:* } 127.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Egerton Allen*, Mr. *Lloyd-George:* } 104.

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And, it being Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, again resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill:—The House accordingly again resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 10th day of June next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 10th day of June next.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Commons and Open Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons and Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant May, That the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 10th day of June next.

Ground Game Act (1880) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Ground Game Act, 1880: And that Mr. *Channing*, Mr. *Beach*, and Mr. *Charles Roundell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ground Game Act (1880) Amendment Bill.

Bill 291.

Mr. *Channing* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Ground Game Act, 1880: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next; and to be printed.

Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

Prohibited Persons (Drink) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prohibited Persons (Drink) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next.

Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors (Licences) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of June next.

Libel Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Libel Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Law Agents (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law Agents (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 14th day of June next.

Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22nd day of this instant May, That the Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Trade, &c.

The Bill was accordingly committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill.

(In the Committee.

CLAUSE, Nº 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Criminal Law and Procedure (Ireland) Act (1887) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant May, That the Criminal Law and Procedure (*Ireland*) Act (1887) Repeal Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 26th day of June next.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 10th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 29th May, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Waterford and Limerick Railway Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Vale of Glamorgan Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [*Lords*] [Stamp Duties.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [Stamp Duties].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the imposition of the following Stamp Duties upon certain Memorials under any Act of the present Session relating to the Phœnix Assurance Company, *viz.*:—For and upon the first Memorial enrolled of the names of persons who shall be deemed, held, and taken to be Trustees of the Company the sum of Five Pounds, and upon every other such Memorial in which the name of any person shall for the first time be inserted as a Trustee of the Company the sum of Five Pounds.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 10.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Dublin*: And that Mr. *John Morley* and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Sunderland*, *Taunton*, and *Weymouth* and *Melcombe Regis*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill. Bill 292.

Mr. *John Morley* presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, under the Public Health (*Ireland*) Act, 1878, relating to the Urban Sanitary District of *Dublin*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill. Bill 293.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Sunderland*, *Taunton*, and *Weymouth* and *Melcombe Regis*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

East India Financial Statement, 1895-96. No. 283.

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to *East India* Financial Statement, 1895-96.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order Bills.

The Lords concur with the Commons in their Resolution, That all Bills of the present Session to confirm Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1888, containing the Classification of Merchandise Traffic and the Schedule of Maximum Rates, Tolls, and Charges applicable thereto, be referred to a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons, as desired by this House.

County Councils (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Councils (*Ireland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Speaker declines to propose a Question (Abuse of Rules.)

Mr. *Smith-Barry* moved, That the Debate be now adjourned; but Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules

Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House, while prepared to take "into consideration any well-matured scheme for "the extension of Local Government in *Ire-* "*land*, cannot regard the County Councils "(*Ireland*) Bill as a serious attempt to carry out "that object"—(Mr. *Arnold Forster*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his Assent.

Mr. *Timothy M. Healy* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Then the House resumed the Debate.

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Dr. *Fox* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Then the House resumed the Debate:—And the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, &c.—(Dr. *Fox*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being half-past Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Workmen's Houses Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workmen's Houses Tenure Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Justices of the Peace (Qualification) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace (Qualification) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Irish Education Act (1892) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Irish* Education Act (1892) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Church of Scotland Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of *Scotland* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

Housing of the Working Classes Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing of the Working Classes Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of June next.

Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parish Councils (Labourers' Cottages) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of June next.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act (1877) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of June next.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Public Health Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Marriage with a Deceased Wife's Sister Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of June next.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant May, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed To-morrow.

Town Leaseholds Extension (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town Leaseholds Extension (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wine and Beerhouse Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

Corporate Associations' Property Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Corporate Associations' Property Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

The

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Knox*)— put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Court of Session Consignations (Scotland) [Advance.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Court of Session Consignations (*Scotland*) [Advance].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the advance, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sum as may be necessary to meet any deficiency in the moneys in the hands of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, under any Act of the present Session, to make provision in regard to the Consignation of Money in the Court of Session in *Scotland*; and also to authorise the Treasury to pay to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings a sum, not exceeding £. 5,000, for the purpose of carrying out certain works and improvements pursuant to the said Act.—(Sir *George Trevelyan*.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

Ordered, That Mr. *Roby* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Rule of the Road at Sea.

Ordered, That Mr. *Robert Price* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill; That they had considered the said Order, that the said Order ought to be confirmed, and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with an Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Public Accounts (Second Report.) No. 284.

Sir *Richard Temple* reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made further Progress in the Matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 30*th May*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Message from the Lords.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Wild Birds Protection Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill. Finance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Finance Bill, without Amendment.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Dublin (City) Steam Packet Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order applicable thereto not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Housing of the Working Classes Provisional Order (*Aberdeen*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas D. Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1895.
2. Finance Act, 1895.
3. Cruelty to Animals (*Scotland*) Act, 1895.
4. Courts of Law Fees (*Scotland*) Act, 1895.
5. Military Lands Provisional Orders Confirmation Act, 1895.
6. Great Eastern Railway (General Powers) Act, 1895.
7. *Edinburgh* and District Waterworks (Additional Supply) Act, 1895.
8. *Fishguard* and *Rosslare* Railways and Harbours (Steam Vessels) Act, 1895.
9. North *Middlesex* Gas Company's Act, 1895.
10. *Ayr* Faculty of Solicitors Widows' Fund Society Act, 1895.
11. *Hayward's Heath* Gas Act, 1895.
12. *London* Street Tramways Act, 1895.
13. *Aire* and *Calder* Navigation Act, 1895.
14. *Hebden Bridge* and *Mytholmroyd* Gas Board Act, 1895.
15. *Rhymney* Railway Act, 1895.
16. Great Northern Railway Act, 1895.
17. *Whitby* Water Act, 1895.
18. *Scarborough* Gas Act, 1895.
19. *York* Waterworks Act, 1895.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach) Bill.

The *London* County Council (*Tower Bridge* Southern Approach) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Barry Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Barry* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Westminster (Parliament Street, &c.) Improvements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant May, That the *Westminster* (*Parliament Street*, &c.) Improvements Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *Herbert Gladstone.*)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*, Mr. *Boulnois*:	78.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *McArthur*:	200.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day six months.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

Downing College Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Downing* College Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [*Lords*] [Stamp Duties.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [Stamp Duties] a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the imposition of the following Stamp Duties upon certain Memorials under any Act of the present Session relating to the Phœnix Assurance Company, *viz.*:—For and upon the first Memorial enrolled of the names of persons who shall be deemed, held, and taken to be Trustees of the Company the sum of Five Pounds, and upon every other such Memorial in which the name of any person shall for the first time be inserted as a Trustee of the Company the sum of Five Pounds.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Phœnix Assurance Company Bill, that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

A Motion

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the case of the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Bill, Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*);

And, the Motion being opposed, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Public Petitions.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Polling Districts (Huddersfield.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the Town Council of *Huddersfield* dividing the *Newsome* Division of the *Almondbury* and *Newsome* Ward into three Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sinking Funds. No. 285.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt; showing the Amount received from the Exchequer in respect of the Old and New Sinking Funds, in the Financial Year ended 31st March 1895; also of the particular Application thereof, pursuant to Section 7 of the Act 38 and 39 *Vic.* c. 45.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trade (Foreign Countries and British Possessions)

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Statement of the Trade of the United Kingdom with Foreign Countries and *British* Possessions for the year 1894.

Railways (Continuous Brakes.)

Copy of Return by Railway Companies of the United Kingdom on the use of Continuous Brakes, for the Six Months ending the 31st December 1894.

Harwich Harbour.

Mr. *Bryce* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Abstract of the Accounts of the Receipts and Expenditure of the *Harwich* Harbour Conservancy Board, from the time of their incorporation under "The *Harwich* Harbour Act, 1863," down to, and inclusive of, the 31st day of March 1895; also, an Account of their Credits and Liabiltties (as nearly as the same can be ascertained and estimated) down to, and inclusive of, such last-mentioned date; together with a Report of the Conservancy Board on their Proceedings and on the Works executed by them, and on the State of *Harwich* Harbour, furnished by the said Conservancy Board to the Board of Trade, pursuant to "The *Harwich* Harbour Act, 1863," Section 6. (As returned by the Conservancy Board to the Board of Trade.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1542 to 1552.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 361 to 364.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Relief of Distress (Ireland), 1895.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Particulars of Relief Works opened in certain portions of *Ireland* up to the 1st day of May 1895.—(Mr. *John Morley*.)

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by inserting recitals as to the additional provision made in the Bill pursuant to a Resolution of the House of the 30th day of April last, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and had made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Great North of Scotland Railway Bill [Preamble not proved.]

Sir *John Kennaway* reported from the Committee on the Great North of *Scotland* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Railway Bills (Group 4.)

Sir *John Kennaway* reported from the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills; That the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday the 18th day of June next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Standing Committees (Chairmen's Panel.)

Sir *George Osborne Morgan* reported from the Chairman's Panel; That they had appointed Sir *George Osborne Morgan* to act as Chairman of the Standing Committee for the consideration of Bills relating to Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, in the place of Sir *Matthew White Ridley*: and that they had appointed Mr. *Stansfeld* to act as Chairman for the consideration of Bills committed to the Standing Committee (*Scotland*).

Law, &c.

Standing Committee (Scotland.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Llangollen) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Llangollen* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Longbenton) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Longbenton* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Wilmington) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Wilmington* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Croydon) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department, under the Elementary Education Acts, 1870 to 1893, to enable the School Board for *Croydon* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Neath, Pontardawe, and Bryn-aman Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for making and maintaining new Railways in the County of *Glamorgan*, to be called the *Neath*,

Neath, *Pontardawe*, and *Bryn-aman* Railway and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Land Securities Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision with respect to the winding-up of the Land Securities Company, Limited, and for the delivery out of the Office of Land Registry of the securities deposited with that office by that Company, under the Mortgage Debenture Act, 1865, and the Mortgage Debenture (Amendment) Act, 1870, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bute Docks, Cardiff Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for empowering the *Bute* Docks Company to extend the Sea Walls or Embankments authorised by the *Bute* Docks Act, 1882, and subsequent Acts, and to make further provision with respect to the Capital of the Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Oldham and Royton Canal Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorising the construction of a Canal or Waterway and other works in *Lancashire*, to be called the *Oldham* and *Royton* Canal, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Birmingham, North Warwickshire, and Stratford-upon-Avon Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the *Birmingham*, North *Warwickshire*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway Company to divert portions of their authorised Railways in the Counties of *Warwick* and *Worcester*; to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Channel Islands Children) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Reformatory and Industrial Schools (*Channel Islands* Children) Bill, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Llangollen) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 294.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Llangollen*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Longbenton) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 295.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Longbenton*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Wilmington) Bill [*Lords*] Bill 296.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Wilmington*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Croydon) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 297.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Croydon*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Neath, Pontardawe, and Bryn-aman Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Neath*, *Pontardawe*, and *Bryn-aman* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Land Securities Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The Land Securities Company Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Bute Docks, Cardiff Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Bute* Docks, *Cardiff*, Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Oldham and Royton Canal Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Oldham* and *Royton* Canal Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Birmingham, North Warwickshire, and Stratford-upon-Avon Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Birmingham*, North *Warwickshire*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 298.

The Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next; and to be printed.

Adjournment (Whitsuntide.)

Resolved, That To-morrow the House do meet at Twelve of the clock, and, at its rising, do adjourn until Monday the 10th day of June next; and that as soon as the Report of Supply is disposed of, Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895–96 (Second Vote on Account).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further Sum, not exceeding £. 5,310,050, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, *viz.*:—

Civil Services.

Class I.	£.
Royal Palaces and *Marlborough* House	5,000
Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens	17,000
Houses of Parliament Buildings	5,000
Admiralty, Extension of Buildings	6,000
Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, *Great Britain*	14,000
Art and Science Buildings, *Great Britain*	3,000
Diplomatic and Consular Buildings	3,000
Revenue Department Buildings	65,000
Public Buildings, *Great Britain*	35,000
Surveys of the United Kingdom	35,000
Harbours, &c. under Board of Trade, and Lighthouses Abroad	3,000
Peterhead Harbour	3,000
Rates on Government Property	48,000
Public Works and Buildings, *Ireland*	25,000
Railways, *Ireland*	20,000

Class II. United Kingdom and *England*:—	
House of Lords, Offices	8,000
House of Commons, Offices	12,000
Treasury and Subordinate Departments	14,000
Home Office and Subordinate Departments	18,000
Foreign Office	15,000
Colonial Office	6,000
Privy Council Office and Subordinate Departments	2,500
Board of Trade and Subordinate Departments	30,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid	15,000
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade	—
Board of Agriculture	25,000
Charity Commission	7,000
Civil Service Commission	6,000
Exchequer and Audit Department	10,000
Friendly Societies, Registry	700
Local Government Board	30,000
Lunacy Commission	2,500
Mint (including Coinage)	—
National Debt Office	2,500
Public Record Office	3,000
Public Works Loan Commission	1,800
Registrar General's Office	7,000
Stationery Office and Printing	90,000

	£.
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of	3,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of	9,000
Secret Service	9,000
Scotland:—	
Secretary for *Scotland*	2,000
Fishery Board	4,000
Lunacy Commission	800
Registrar General's Office	1,000
Local Government Board for *Scotland*	2,000
Ireland:—	
Lord Lieutenant's Household	1,000
Chief Secretary and Subordinate Departments	7,000
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office	300
Local Government Board	15,000
Public Record Office	1,000
Public Works Office	6,000
Registrar General's Office	2,000
Valuation and Boundary Survey	2,000

CLASS III.

United Kingdom and *England:—*	
Law Charges	18,000
Miscellaneous Legal Expenses	10,000
Supreme Court of Judicature	65,000
Land Registry	1,300
County Courts	5,000
Police Courts (*London* and *Sheerness*)	500
Police, *England* and *Wales*	4,000
Prisons, *England* and the Colonies	80,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, *Great Britain*	60,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum	4,000
Scotland:—	
Law Charges and Courts of Law	15,000
Register House, *Edinburgh*	7,000
Crofters' Commission	1,000
Prisons, *Scotland*	15,000
Ireland:—	
Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions	12,000
Supreme Court of Judicature and other Legal Departments	18,000
Land Commission	14,000
County Court Officers, &c.	20,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police, &c.	14,000
Constabulary	270,000
Prisons, *Ireland*	20,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools	25,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum	500

CLASS IV.

United Kingdom and *England:—*	
Public Education, *England* and *Wales*	1,450,000
Science and Art Department, United Kingdom	116,000
British Museum	37,000
National Gallery	5,000
National Portrait Gallery	500
Scientific Investigations, &c., United Kingdom	5,000
Universities and Colleges, *Great Britain*, and Intermediate Education, *Wales*	22,000
London University	—
Scotland:—	
Public Education	270,000
National Gallery	1,000
Ireland:—	
Public Education	300,000
Endowed Schools Commissioners	150
National Gallery	500
Queen's Colleges	1,500

CLASS V.

Diplomatic Services and Consular Services	90,000
British Protectorates in *Uganda* and *Central Africa*	10,000
Colonial Services, including *South Africa*	15,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid	—
Slave Trade Services	—
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies, &c.	15,500

CLASS VI.

Superannuation and Retired Allowances	130,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions, &c.	1,000
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency	—
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, *Great Britain*	500
Pauper Lunatics, *Ireland*	45,000
Hospitals and Charities, *Ireland*	5,000

CLASS VII.

	£.
Temporary Commissions	8,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,000
Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*	6,000
Repayments to the Local Loans Fund	—
Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund	—
Relief of Distress (*Ireland*)	7,000
Total for Civil Services	£. 3,880,050

Revenue Departments.	£.
Customs	40,000
Inland Revenue	70,000
Post Office	700,000
Post Office Packet Service	170,000
Post Office Telegraphs	450,000
Total for Revenue Departments	£. 1,430,000
Grand Total	£. 5,310,050

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Item of £. 5,000, for the Houses of Parliament Buildings, be reduced by £. 100—(Mr. *Weir*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Item of £. 8,000, for the House of Lords' Offices, be reduced by £. 100—(Mr. *Weir*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Mr. *Alpheus Morton* moved, That the Chairman do report Progress; but the Chairman being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee:

Chairman declines to propose the Question to Report Progress (Abuse of Rules.)

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Item of £. 15,000 for the Foreign Office, be reduced by £. 500, in respect of the Salary of the Secretary of State—(Sir *Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett*)——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 31*st May*, 1895:

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Naval Works Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Naval Works Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday the 17th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Bill;

Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 10th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Drafting of Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 23rd day of this instant May, That Mr. *Blake* be a Member of the Select Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords on Drafting of Bills;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Commons and Open Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons and Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant May, That the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 10th day of June next.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Court of Session Consignations (Scotland) [Advance.]

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Committee on Court of Session Consignations (*Scotland*) [Advance], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the advance, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sum as may be necessary to meet any deficiency in the Moneys in the hands of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, under any Act of the present Session, to make provision in regard to the Consignation of Money in the Court of Session in *Scotland*; and also to authorise the Treasury to pay to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings a sum, not exceeding £. 5,000, for the purpose of carrying out certain Works and Improvements pursuant to the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Poor Relief Disqualification Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Relief Disqualification Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of June next.

Sea Fishermen's Voting (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fishermen's Voting (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of June next.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors on Sunday Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

Law Agents (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law Agents (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 10th day of June next.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant May, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 10th day of June next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant May, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 10th day of June next.

The

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

Relief of Distress (Ireland), 1895.

Mr. *John Morley* presented,—Return to an Order dated the 30th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to Relief of Distress (*Ireland*), 1895.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 31*st May*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.* :—

Latimer Road and *Acton* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.* :—

Belfast and Northern Counties Railway Bill.

Lanarkshire and *Dumbartonshire* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.* :—

Staffordshire Potteries Stipendiary Justice Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill.

The Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

Ordered, That the *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 13th day of June next.

Muirkirk, Mauchline, and Dalmellington Railways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Muirkirk*, *Mauchline*, and *Dalmellington* Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of this instant May, That in the case of the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Bill, Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time;

And the Question being again proposed, the House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Original Question being put;

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Bill, Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Private Bills

Ordered, That Standing Orders 39 and 129 be suspended, and that the time for depositing Petitions against Private Bills, or against any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order or Provisional Certificate, and for depositing duplicates of any Document relating to any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order or Provisional Certificate, be extended to Monday 10th day of June next.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Buckingham*, *Cambridge*, *Essex*, *Oxford*, *Salop*, *Southampton*, *Stafford*, *Surrey*, *Warwick*, West *Suffolk*, and the North and West Ridings of *Yorkshire*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Dover*, *Fenton*, *Greetland*, *Hoddesdon*, *Lancaster*, *Leeds*, *Leigh*, *Salford*, *Swansea*, and *West Ham* (two): And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the *Chichester* Incorporation, and the Parish of *Saint George-in-the-East* (*London*): And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bournemouth*, *Chichester*, *Dover*, and *Southampton*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill. Bill 299.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Buckingham*, *Cambridge*, *Essex*, *Oxford*, *Salop*, *Southampton*, *Stafford*, *Surrey*, *Warwick*, West *Suffolk*, and the North and West Ridings of *Yorkshire*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill. Bill 300.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Dover*, *Fenton*, *Greetland*, *Hoddesdon*, *Lancaster*, *Leeds*, *Leigh*, *Salford*, *Swansea*, and *West Ham* (two): And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill.
Bill 301.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the *Chichester* Incorporation, and the Parish of *Saint George-in-the-East* (*London*): And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill.
Bill 302.

Sir *Walter Foster* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bournemouth*, *Chichester*, *Dover*, and *Southampton*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Harwich Harbour.
No. 286.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *Harwich* Harbour, which was presented upon the 30th day of this instant May, be printed.

Relief of Distress (Ireland) 1895.
No. 287.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Relief of Distress (*Ireland*), 1895, which was presented upon the 30th day of this instant May, be printed.

Parliamentary Constituencies (Electors) (United Kingdom.)
No. 288.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of February last, for a Return relative to Parliamentary Constituencies (Electors) (United Kingdom).

Polling Districts (Whitehaven.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order of the Town Council of *Whitehaven* dividing the Parliamentary Borough into Six Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Parliamentary Constituencies (Electors) (United Kingdom) be printed.

Egypt (No. 2, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports by Mr. *Villiers Stuart* respecting the Progress of Re-organisation in *Egypt* since the *British* Occupation in 1882.

Ordered, That the Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lancaster (North Lancashire, Chorley Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for *Lancaster* (North *Lancashire*, *Chorley* Division), in the room of Lieutenant General *Randle Joseph Feilden*, C.M.G., deceased.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

Post Office Employees.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) the Number of Persons employed in the Postal and Telegraph Service during each of the last Five Years; (2) the Number of Persons so employed charged during each of those Years with Theft or other Crime; (3) the Number of such Persons convicted of such Offences; and (4) the Nature of the Offence.—(Mr. *Henniker Heaton*.)

Agricultural Tenancies.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Agricultural Tenancies: And that Mr. *Yerburgh*, Mr. *Jeffreys*, Colonel *Cotton-Jodrell*, Major *Rasch*, Mr. *Fellowes*, and Mr. *Hulse* do prepare, and bring it in.

Agricultural Tenancies Bill.
Bill 303.

Mr. *Yerburgh* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Agricultural Tenancies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of June next; and to be printed.

Supply [30th May] Report.

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* reported from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895-96 (Second Vote on Account) [Report.]

That a further Sum, not exceeding £. 5,310,050, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March, 1896, *viz.*:—

Civil Services.

CLASS I.

	£.
Royal Palaces and *Marlborough* House	5,000
Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens	17,000
Houses of Parliament Buildings	5,000
Admiralty, Extension of Buildings	6,000
Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, *Great Britain*	14,000
Art and Science Buildings, *Great Britain*	3,000
Diplomatic and Consular Buildings	3,000
Revenue Department Buildings	65,000
Public Buildings, *Great Britain*	35,000
Surveys of the United Kingdom	35,000
Harbours, &c., under Board of Trade, and Lighthouses Abroad	3,000
Peterhead Harbour	3,000
Rates on Government Property	48,000
Public Works and Buildings, *Ireland*	25,000
Railways, *Ireland*	20,000

CLASS II.

United Kingdom and *England*:—

House of Lords, Offices	8,000
House of Commons, Offices	12,000
Treasury and Subordinate Departments	14,000
Home Office and Subordinate Departments	18,000
Foreign Office	15,000
Colonial Office	6,000
Privy Council Office and Subordinate Departments	2,500
Board of Trade and Subordinate Departments	30,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid	15,000
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade	—
Board of Agriculture	25,000
Charity Commission	7,000
Civil Service Commission	6,000
Exchequer and Audit Department	10,000
Friendly Societies, Registry	700
Local Government Board	30,000
Lunacy Commission	2,500
Mint (including Coinage)	—
National Debt Office	2,500
Public Record Office	3,000
Public Works Loan Commission	1,800
Registrar General's Office	7,000
Stationery Office and Printing	90,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of	3,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of	9,000
Secret Service	9,000

Scotland:—

Secretary for *Scotland*	2,000
Fishery Board	4,000
Lunacy Commission	800
Registrar General's Office	1,000
Local Government Board for *Scotland*	2,000

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household	1,000
Chief Secretary and Subordinate Departments	7,000
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office	300
Local Government Board	15,000
Public Record Office	1,000
Public Works Office	6,000
Registrar General's Office	2,000
Valuation and Boundary Survey	2,000

CLASS III.

United Kingdom and *England*:—

Law Charges	18,000
Miscellaneous Legal Expenses	10,000
Supreme Court of Judicature	65,000
Land Registry	1,300
County Courts	5,000
Police Courts (*London* and *Sheerness*)	500
Police, *England* and *Wales*	4,000

	£.
Prisons, *England* and the Colonies	80,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, *Great Britain*	60,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum	4,000
Scotland:—	
Law Charges and Courts of Law	15,000
Register House, *Edinburgh*	7,000
Crofters' Commission	1,000
Prisons, *Scotland*	15,000
Ireland:—	
Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions	12,000
Supreme Court of Judicature, and other Legal Departments	18,000
Land Commission	14,000
County Court Officers, &c.	20,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police, &c.	14,000
Constabulary	270,000
Prisons, *Ireland*	20,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools	25,000
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum	500
CLASS IV.	
United Kingdom and *England*:—	
Public Education, *England* and *Wales*	1,450,000
Science and Art Department, United Kingdom	116,000
British Museum	37,000
National Gallery	5,000
National Portrait Gallery	500
Scientific Investigations, &c., United Kingdom	5,000
Universities and Colleges, *Great Britain*, and Intermediate Education, *Wales*	22,000
London University	—
Scotland:—	
Public Education	270,000
National Gallery	1,000
Ireland:—	
Public Education	300,000
Endowed Schools Commissioners	150
National Gallery	500
Queen's Colleges	1,500
CLASS V.	
Diplomatic Services and Consular Services	90,000
British Protectorates in *Uganda* and *Central Africa*	10,000
Colonial Services, including *South Africa*	15,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid	—
Slave Trade Services	—
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies, &c.	15,500
CLASS VI.	
Superannuation and Retired Allowances	130,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions, &c.	1,000
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency	—
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, *Great Britain*	500
Pauper Lunatics, *Ireland*	45,000
Hospitals and Charities, *Ireland*	5,000
CLASS VII.	
Temporary Commissions	8,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,000
Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*	6,000
Repayments to the Local Loans Fund	—
Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund	—
Relief of Distress (*Ireland*)	7,000
Total for Civil Services	£. 3,880,050

Revenue Departments.	£.
Customs	40,000
Inland Revenue	70,000
Post Office	700,000
Post Office Packet Service	170,000
Post Office Telegraphs	450,000
Total for Revenue Departments	£. 1,430,000
Grand Total	£. 5,310,050

The said Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 5,310,050," in order to insert "£. 5,307,050."—(Sir *Charles Dilke*),—— instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "£. 5,310,050" stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 79.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Byles*, Mr. *Alpheus Morton*: } 27.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 30th day of this instant May, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, it being then five minutes after Three of the clock, without Question put, till Monday the 10th day of June next.

Monday, 10*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill.

Oldham and *Royton* Canal Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (No Standing Orders not previously inquired into applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable, *viz.*:—

Land Securities Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Provisional Order (*Paisley*) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill.

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill.

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes) (No. 2) Bill.
Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional Order Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Acton*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Bristol*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Hornsey*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Orders Confirmation (*Leeds*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Liverpool*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Lowestoft*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Manchester*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Pwllheli*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Weston-super-Mare*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Llangollen*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Longbenton*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Wilmington*) Bill.
Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Croydon*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Bute Docks, *Cardiff*, Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Barry Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Barry* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Vale of Glamorgan Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London County Council (Money) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* County Council (Money) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

South Eastern Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Eastern Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Southend-on-Sea* Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Carrickfergus Town Commissioners Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Carrickfergus* Town Commissioners Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Dublin (City) Steam Packet Bill.

The *Dublin* (City) Steam Packet Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Kingstown and Kingsbridge Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Liskeard and Looe Railway Extension Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Liskeard* and *Looe* Railway Extension Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Grand Junction Canal (Warwick Canals Amalgamation) Bill.

The Order made upon the 7th day of May last, That the Grand Junction Canal (*Warwick* Canals Amalgamation) Bill be read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Eleventh Report.

Education (Scotland) (General Reports.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Report by the Chief Inspector of the *Scotch* Education Department, of the Northern Division of *Scotland*, for the year 1894.

Police (Scotland.)

Copy of Thirty-seventh Annual Report of Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary for *Scotland* for the year ending 15th March 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

London County Council. No. 289.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of I. Return, showing up to 31st March 1895, (I.) The Amount of Consolidated Stock; (II.) The Application of the Money raised by such Stock; (III.) The Sums carried to the Consolidated Loans Fund; (IV.) The Application of the Consolidated Loans Fund; and (V.) An Estimate of the Expenditure of the *London* County Council, for the year ending 31st March 1896:——And, II. Return showing up to 31st March 1895, (I.) All Moneys raised by the Metropolitan Board of Works and the *London* County Council, since the passing of the Act 38 & 39 *Vic.* cap. 65, for the purposes mentioned in the Act; and (II.) Particulars in relation to every Parish, District, Union, or Place, in respect whereof a Loan has been obtained from the Metropolitan Board of Works, or the *London* County Council, since the passing of the Act.

Public Works Loan Board. No. 290.

Copy of Twentieth Annual Report of the Public Works Loan Board, 1894–95, with Appendices.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Copy of Treasury Minute, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 28th May 1895, declaring that *Haslam Bailey*, Postman, *Portarlington*, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part

part of the Head of his Department (Post Office).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the *London* County Council and the Public Works Loan Board be printed.

Agricultural Statistics (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Agricultural Statistics of *Ireland*, with detailed Report on Agriculture, for the year 1894.

Arrests for Drunkenness (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of May last, for a Return relative to Arrests for Drunkenness (*Ireland*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Mr. *R. Henry Rew* (Assistant Commissioner, Royal Commission on Agriculture) on the County of *Dorset*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1553 to 1562.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 365.

Foreign Merchant Navies (Educational Standard of Officers) (Commercial, No. 4, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* also presented,—Further Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23rd day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Educational Standard required from Candidates for Positions as Masters, Mates, and Engineers in the Merchant Navies of *France*, *Germany*, *Russia*, *Belgium*, *Holland*, *Sweden*, and *Norway*, the United States, and the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Richmond Bridge.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—*Richmond* Bridge Cash Account for the year 1894.

Poor Relief (England and Wales.) No. 291.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Statement of the Amount expended for In-maintenance and Out-door Relief in *England* and *Wales* during the half-year ended Lady-Day 1895; and similar Statement for the half year ended Michaelmas 1895.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Great Western Railway (No. 2) Bill [*Lords*] [Preamble not proved.]

Mr. *Samuel Hoare* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That, in the case of the Great Western Railway (No. 2) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 5.)

Mr. *Samuel Hoare* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That, in consequence of the Whitsuntide Recess, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday the 13th day of this instant June, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

Ordered, That the Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 305.

The Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for prohibiting the catching of Seals at certain periods in the *Behring Sea* and other parts of the *Pacific Ocean* adjacent to the *Behring Sea*, and for regulating the Seal Fisheries in those Seas: And that Sir *Edward Grey*, Mr. Attorney General, and Mr. *Sydney Buxton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Bill. Bill 304.

Sir *Edward Grey* accordingly presented a Bill to provide for Prohibiting the Catching of Seals at certain periods in the *Behring Sea* and other parts of the *Pacific* Ocean adjacent to the *Behring Sea*, and for regulating the Seal Fisheries in those Seas: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee (*Scotland*).

Local Government (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House declines to proceed with "a Bill to make further provision for Local "Government in counties in *Scotland* which does "not confer upon county and parish councils "power to acquire land by compulsory purchase "for the purposes of erecting workmen's dwell-"ings, public halls, and public reading rooms, "upon terms of compensation similar to those "paid by railway companies or promoters of "other Parliamentary undertakings; and further, "which does not abolish the existing standing "joint committee in counties, and which does "not confer upon county councils power to pay "out of the county rates the reasonable travell-"ing expenses of county councillors attending "meetings of the council and its committees,"—(Mr. *Caldwell*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Standing Committee (Scotland.)

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to the Standing Committee (*Scotland*).

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."—(Mr. *Banbury*.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now"

"now" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 30th day of April last, That the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures.

Trade, &c.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Light Railways Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Volunteers (Military Service) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per Cent.* on £.260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a Sum of Money, not exceeding £.30,000, to that Company; and to authorise the payment out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those Moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums as may be necessary for those purposes—(Sir *John Hibbert*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Police Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Commons and Open Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons and Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of May last, That the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Church Patronage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Church Patronage Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant June.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Councils (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of May last, That the County Councils (*Ireland*) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Boards of Guardians (Ireland) (Constitution and Powers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Boards of Guardians (*Ireland*) (Constitution and Powers) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 3rd day of July next.

Hypothec (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hypothec (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Officers' Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 24th day of this instant June.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Boards of Conciliation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Tied Houses (Tenants' Contracts) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Tied Houses (Tenants' Contracts) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant June.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Register of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Justices of the Peace (Qualification) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace (Qualification) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant June.

Law Agents (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law Agents (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education (Exemption from School Attendance) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of May last, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Sunday Closing (Wales) Act (1881) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sunday Closing (*Wales*) Act (1881) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Crofters' (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 11*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.* :—

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Bill.

Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time

Belfast and Northern Counties Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Belfast* and Northern Counties Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lanarkshire and Dumbartonshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Lanarkshire* and *Dumbartonshire* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill.

The *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Staffordshire Potteries Stipendiary Justice Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Staffordshire* Potteries Stipendiary Justice Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Provisional Order (Paisley) Bill.

The Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Provisional Order (*Paisley*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Acton) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Acton*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Bristol) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Bristol*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Croydon) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Croydon*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Hornsey) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Hornsey*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Orders Confirmation (Leeds) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Orders Confirmation (*Leeds*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Liverpool) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Liverpool*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Llangollen) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Llangollen*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Longbenton) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Longbenton*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Lowestoft) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Lowestoft*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Manchester) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Manchester*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Pwllheli) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Pwllheli*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Weston-super-Mare) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Weston-super-Mare*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Wilmington) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Wilmington*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes) (No. 2) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Buckingham*, *Cambridge*, *Oxford*, and West *Suffolk*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That Standing Order 193A be suspended, and that the Bill be read the first time.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill. Bill 306.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Buckingham*, *Cambridge*, *Oxford*, and West *Suffolk*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Ordered,

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Eastbourne* and *Nelson*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That Standing Order 193A be suspended, and that the Bill be read the first time.—(Sir *Walter Foster*.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill. Bill 307.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Eastbourne* and *Nelson*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twelfth Report.

Arrests for Drunkenness (Ireland.) No. 292.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Arrests for Drunkenness (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant June, be printed.

Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865.

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Expenditure under the Dogs Regulation (*Ireland*) Act, 1865, for the year ending 31st December 1894.

Fines, &c. (Ireland.)

An Abstract of the Accounts of all Fines and other Penal Sums accounted for under the Act 14 & 15 *Vic.* c. 90, and a Statement of Accounts under the Act 21 & 22 *Vic.* c. 100, for the year ending 31st December 1893.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Medway Conservancy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—Accounts of the *Medway* Conservancy Board for the year 25th March 1894 to 25th March 1895.

Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills. Clonmel Corporation Bill.

Mr. *Walter Long* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That the parties opposing the *Clonmel* Corporation Bill had stated that the evidence of *James Shee, Abbeyview, Waterford*; *Weldon Walshe, Belline, Kilkenny*; and of *W. L'Estrange Duffin, Larkfield, Kilkenny*, was essential to their case; and it having been proved that their attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *James Shee, Weldon Walshe*, and *W. L'Estrange Duffin* do attend the said Committee on Thursday the 13th day of this instant June, at half past Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That *James Shee, Weldon Walshe*, and *W. L'Estrange Duffin* do attend the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills upon Thursday next, at half-past Twelve of the clock.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant June.

Selection (Standing Committees.) Law, &c. Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, the following Fifteen Members in respect of the Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill: Mr. *Buckmill*, Mr. *Butcher*, Mr. *Byrne*, Mr. *Cozens-Hardy*, Sir *John Gorst*, Mr. *Knowles*, Sir *Joseph Leese*, Mr. *Macdona*, Mr. *Walter M'Laren*, Mr. *Neville*, Mr. *Bowen Rowlands*, Mr. *James Rowlands*, Mr. *Schwann*, Mr. *James Stuart*, and Sir *Richard Webster*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read as follow:

Greenock Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

1. That, in the case of the *Greenock* Harbour Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Housing of the Working Classes Provisional Order (Aberdeen) Bill.

2. That, in the case of the Housing of the Working Classes Provisional Order (*Aberdeen*) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Bill be permitted to proceed.

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

3. That, in the case of the North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, upon condition that Clause 30 be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

London County Council (Finance) Bill.

4. That, in the case of the *London* County Council (Finance) Bill, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

The first three Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Health (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890: And that Mr. *Archibald Grove*, Admiral *Field*, and Captain *Norton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Rural Advertisements.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise County Councils to frame Bye-laws for regulating Advertising Display in Rural Localities: And that Mr. *Boulnois*, Sir *Edward Clarke*, Mr. *Caine*, Mr. *Darling*, Mr. *Arnold-Forster*, Sir *Henry Roscoe*, Mr. *Wyndham*, and Mr. *Webb* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health (No. 2) Bill. Bill 308.

Mr. *Archibald Grove* presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Rural Advertisements Bill. Bill 309.

Mr. *Boulnois* presented a Bill to authorise County Councils to frame Bye-laws for regulating Advertising Display in Rural Localities: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of this instant June, That the Light Railways Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "so long as Light Railways are "constructed and maintained by Imperial Sub-"ventions in *Scotland* and *Ireland*, no Bill for "the

"the construction of Light Railways in *England* "will be satisfactory which does not provide for "like assistance from the Treasury,"—(Mr. *Strachey*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

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Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Thursday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Allotments and Cottage Gardens Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments and Cottage Gardens Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Commons and Open Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons and Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Court of Session Consignations (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Court of Session Consignations (*Scotland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 17, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Drafting of Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 23rd day of May last, That Mr. *Blake* be a Member of the Select Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords on Drafting of Bills;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Volunteers (Military Service) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of May last, That the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

High Court of Justice (County Palatine of Lancaster) (Continuous Sittings.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider whether any, and, if so, what steps are desirable to secure continuous sittings of the High Court of Justice in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*.—(Mr. *Holland*.)

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Registration Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (England) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (*England*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant June.

Liquor Traffic Local Veto (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liquor Traffic Local Veto (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 28th day of this instant June.

Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of *Cornwall* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of May last, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Sunday Closing (Wales) Act (1881) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sunday Closing (*Wales*) Act (1881) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) [Expenses.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Expenses incurred by the Board of Trade in the execution of any Act of the present Session to make better provision for the Settlement of Trade Disputes;

Mr. *Bryce*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 12*th June*, 1895.

The House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Order Bill.

THE Drainage and Improvement of Lands (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Greenock Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the *Greenock* Harbour Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twelfth Report.

Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act, 1865.

No. 294.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Dogs Regulation (*Ireland*) Act, 1865, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant June, be printed.

Fines, &c. (Ireland.)

No. 295.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Fines, &c. (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant June, be printed.

Civil Services Additional Estimate, 1895-96 (British East Africa.)

The Order made upon the 23rd day of May last, referring the Civil Services Additional Estimate, 1895–96 (*British East Africa*) to the Committee of Supply, was read, and discharged.

Civil Services Revised Additional Estimate, 1895-96 (British East Africa.)

No. 293.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Revised Additional Estimate of the Amount required in the year ending 31st March 1896, as a Grant to the Imperial *British East Africa* Company on their retirement from *East Africa*, and as a Grant in Aid of the Expenses of Administration in *British East Africa*.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Army (Military Savings Banks.)

No. 296.

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman*, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the Amount due by the Public to Depositors in the Military Savings Banks on the 31st March 1893, and of the Receipts, Interest, and Disbursements in the said Military Savings Banks during the year next ensuing, ending on 31st March 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Fishery Board (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirteenth Annual Report of the Fishery Board for *Scotland*, being for the year 1894. Part I. General Report.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sea Fisheries Act, 1868.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of their Proceedings under Part III. of "The Sea Fisheries Act, 1868." Orders for Fishery Grants, 1894–95.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1563 to 1567.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 366, 367, and 368.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Magistrates as Chairmen of District Councils.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 5th day of March last, for a Return relative to Magistrates as Chairmen of District Councils.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Municipal Franchise (*Ireland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "Bill be" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "re-committed to a Committee "of the whole House,"—(Mr. *Macartney*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *Timothy M. Healy* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Esmonde*, Mr. *Tuite*: } 239.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Macartney*, Mr. *Ross*: } 177.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the Main Question being put;
Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pistols Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Pistols Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And, it being half-past Five of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Justices of the Peace Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Justices of the Peace Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Funeral Expenses of Children Insurance Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read for resuming the further Proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of May last, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;
Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed To-morrow.

Militia Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Militia Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Foreign Goods (Mark of Origin) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health Bill;
Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Values (Taxation by Local Authorities) (No. 2) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of July next.

Church of Scotland Reference Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Church of (*Scotland*) Reference Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Cremation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cremation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Old Age Provident Pensions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Old Age Provident Pensions Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of August next.

Out-door Provident Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Out-door Provident Relief Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of August next.

Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Occupying Tenants' Enfranchisement Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 5th day of August next.

Game Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Game Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of July next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of July next.

Technical Education (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (*Ireland*) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Merchandise Marks (Cheese) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchandise Marks (Cheese) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant June.

Sport Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of February last, That the Sport Regulation Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Town Leaseholds Extension (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town Leaseholds Extension (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Political Offices Pension Act (1869) Repeal Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill.

Trade, &c.

The Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill was read a second time; and committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, to which the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill is committed.

Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Boards of Conciliation Bill.

Trade, &c.

The Boards of Conciliation Bill was read a second time; and committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, to which the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill is committed.

Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of May last, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Court of Session Consignations (Scotland) Bill.

The Court of Sessions Consignation (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) [Expenses.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Conciliation (Trade Disputes) [Expenses].

In the Committee.

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the expenses incurred by the Board of Trade in the execution of any Act of the present Session to make better provision for the Settlement of Trade Disputes.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution;

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment.

Ordered, That Major *Darwin* be added to the Select Committee on Retired Soldiers' and Sailors' Employment.—(Mr. *Anstruther*.)

Weights and Measures.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord *Kelvin* to attend to be examined as a witness before the Select Committee on Weights and Measures—(Sir *Henry Roscoe*): And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Housing of the Working Classes (Provisional Order) (Aberdeen) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the Housing of the Working Classes (Provisional Order) (*Aberdeen*) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Public Petitions (Eleventh Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, and 31st days of May last, and the 10th day of this instant June; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 13*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order 62 complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, Standing Order No. 62 has been complied with, *viz.*:—

London, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

The Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

The *Lancashire*, *Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London County Council (Money) Bill.

The *London* County Council (Money) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

South Eastern Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The South Eastern Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Southend-on-Sea* Corporation Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "Bill be" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "re-committed to the former "Committee in respect of Part V. and Part VI." —(Mr. *James Lowther*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 18, by leaving out Clause 24.—(Mr. *Caldwell.*)

And the Question being proposed, That Subsection (1) of Clause 24 stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That Further Proceeding on Consideration of the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be resumed To-morrow.

Chelsea Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Chelsea* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant June.

East London Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East *London* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant June.

Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant June.

Kent Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Kent* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant June.

New River Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *New River* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant June.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the West *Middlesex* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant June.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Ordered,

Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Cheshire* Salt Districts Compensation Bill, 1881, the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Bill, 1891, and the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill, 1893, be referred to the Committee on the Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill.—(Dr. *Farquharson*).

Housing of the Working Classes Provisional Order (Aberdeen) Bill.

The Housing of the Working Classes Provisional Order (*Aberdeen*) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twelfth Report.

Sea Fisheries Act, 1868.

No. 297.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Sea Fisheries Act, 1868, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant June, be printed.

Magistrates as Chairmen of District Councils.

No. 298.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Magistrates as Chairmen of District Councils, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant June, be printed.

Education (Scotland) (Training Colleges.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Reports and Papers relating to the Training Colleges of *Scotland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Employers' Liability Act, 1880.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to the Employers' Liability Act, 1880 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 357, of Session 1892).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

East India (Progress and Condition.)

No. 299.

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement exhibiting the Moral and Material Progress and Condition of *India* during the year 1893–94. Thirtieth Number.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Education (Evening Continuation Schools.).

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minute by the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education, dated 13th June 1895, modifying the Schedule to the Evening Continuation School Code, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill [Provisional Order Confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Commons Regulation (Bexhill) Provisional Order Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Commons Regulation (*Bexhill*) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Commons Regulation (Halifax) Provisional Order Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Commons Regulation (*Halifax*) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Inclosure (Castor and Ailsworth) Provisional Order Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Inclosure (*Castor* and *Ailsworth*) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Inclosure (Upton Saint Leonards) Provisional Order Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Inclosure (*Upton Saint Leonards*) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with an Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered. That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Derry City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Derry* City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Lynton and Barnstaple Railway Bill [*Lords.*]
Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Lynton* and *Barnstaple* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Phœnix Assurance Company Bill; That the Committee had made provision in the Bill as to Stamp Duties, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 30th day of May last.

Mr. *Mellor* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Rhondda* and *Swansea Bay* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills.

Mr. *Walter Long* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That the parties promoting the *Clonmel* Corporation Bill had stated that the evidence of *T. J. Browne*, M.B., of *Moreton Park*, *Queenstown*, was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *T. J. Browne*, M.B., do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That *T. J. Browne* do attend the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway Bill.

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Committee on the *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the Provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 5.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That, there being no other business ready for consideration, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Income and Expenditure.

Ordered, That there be laid before the House, a Return of Net Public Income and Net Public Expenditure, under certain specified Heads, as represented by Receipts into and Issues out of the Exchequer from 1875–76 to 1894–95, inclusive (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 227, of Session 1894).—(Mr. Secretary *Fowler*.)

East India (Net Income and Expenditure.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Net Income and Expenditure of *British India*, under certain specified Heads, for the ten years from 1884–85 to 1893–94.—(Mr. Secretary *Fowler*.)

Judicial Statistics (England and Wales.) No. 300.

Ordered, That pages 71 to 96 of the Introduction to the Judicial Statistics for 1893 [c. 7725] which were presented upon the 26th day of April last, be reprinted, together with the Diagrams and Maps appended to such Introduction.—(Sir *Richard Paget*.)

Matrimonial Causes Act, 1878 (Separation Orders.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing, for each Town in *England* and *Wales* with a Population by the last Census of more than 150,000, and in the case of the Metropolis for each Police Court Division, the Number of Separation Orders granted under the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1878, in the years 1888, 1889, 1890, and in the years 1892, 1893, 1894; with a Summary for each year.—(Mr. *Walter M'Laren*.)

Lodger Franchise Bill.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time, be resumed upon Monday next.

Salmon Fisheries (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Salmon Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts Amendment Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Business of the House (Government Business.)

Ordered, That for the remainder of the Session Government Business have priority on Wednesday; that unless the House otherwise order the House do meet on Friday at Three of the clock; that Standing Order 11 be suspended, and the provisions of Standing Order 56 be extended to the other days of the week.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Boyne Navigation Transfer.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to transfer the *Upper* and *Lower Boyne* Navigations to the *Boyne* Navigation Company (Limited): And that Sir *John Hibbert* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Trusts Administration.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the appointment of Judicial Trustees, and otherwise to amend the Law respecting the Administration of Trusts and the Liability of Trustees: And that Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Solicitor General do prepare, and bring it in.

Boyne Navigation Transfer Bill. Bill 310.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented a Bill to transfer the *Upper* and *Lower Boyne* Navigations to the *Boyne* Navigation Company (Limited): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Trusts Administration Bill. Bill 311.

Mr. Attorney General presented a Bill to provide for the appointment of Judicial Trustees, and otherwise to amend the Law respecting the Administration of Trusts and the Liability of Trustees: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services (Revised Additional Estimate), 1895–96.

Class V.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 80,000, be granted to Her

Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for a Grant to the Imperial *British East Africa* Company on their retirement from *East Africa*, and for a Grant in Aid of the Expenses of Administration in *British East Africa*;

After Debate thereon;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee proceeded to a division; and the Chairman stated that he thought the Ayes had it, and on his decision being challenged it appeared to him that the Division was frivolously claimed, and he directed the Noes to stand up in their places, and one Member having stood up, the Chairman declared that the Ayes had it.

Division frivolously claimed.

Question put accordingly;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*:	249.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Labouchere*. Sir *Charles Dilke*:	51.

Resolution to be reported.

Friday, 14*th June*, 1895:

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, That he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Seal Fisheries (North *Pacific*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution "That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per cent.* on £. 260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a Sum of Money, not exceeding £. 30,000, to that Company; and to authorise the payment out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those Moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums as may be necessary for those purposes"—(Sir *John Hibbert*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Police Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 10th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Light Railways Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Commons and Open Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons and Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Drafting of Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 23rd day of May last, That Mr. *Blake* be a Member of the Select Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords on Drafting of Bills—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Volunteers (Military Service) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of May last, That the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) [Expenses.]

Mr. *Woodall* reported from the Committee on Conciliation (Trade Disputes) [Expenses], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Expenses incurred by the Board of Trade in the execution of any Act of the present Session to make better provision for the Settlement of Trade Disputes.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Pistols Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant June, That the Pistols Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be now taken into consideration;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of May last, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed this day.

Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Law Agents (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law Agents (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of May last, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Liverpool Court of Passage.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give Suitors in the Court of Passage in the City of *Liverpool* a right of Appeal, in certain cases, to the High Court from Orders made and Decisions and Directions given by the Registrar; and also to make provisions with regard to the Jurisdiction of the Court: And that Mr. *Walter Long*, Baron *Henry de Worms*, Dr. *Commins*, and Mr. *Snape* do prepare, and bring it in.

Liverpool Court of Passage Bill. Bill 312.

Mr. *Walter Long* accordingly presented a Bill to give Suitors in the Court of Passage in the City of *Liverpool* a right of Appeal, in certain cases, to the High Court from Orders made and Decisions and Directions given by the Registrar; and also to make provisions with regard to the Jurisdiction of the Court: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 14*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order Bills.

The House was moved, That the Resolution of the House of the 23rd day of May last, relative to Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order Bills, which was ordered to be communicated to the Lords, and the Message from the

the Lords of the 29th day of May last, signifying their concurrence in the said Resolution, might be read; and the same being read;

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order [Strabane Canal] Bill; Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [Caledonian and Crinan Canals] Bill; Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [River Ouse (Beds. and Hunts.) &c.] Bill.

Ordered, That the following Bills be committed to a Select Committee of Five Members, to be nominated by the Committee of Selection, to be joined with a Committee of the Lords:—Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order [*Strabane* Canal] Bill; Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [*Caledonian* and *Crinan* Canals] Bill; Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [River *Ouse* (*Beds.* and *Hunts.*), &c.] Bill.

Ordered, That all Petitions in favour of or against the Bills or Orders scheduled thereto presented Five clear days before the meeting of the Committee be referred to the Committee; that the Petitioners praying to be heard by themselves, their Counsel, or Agents, be heard in favour of or against the Bills, and Counsel heard in support of the Bills.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint their Lordships that the said Bills have been committed to Five Members of this House, to be joined with a Committee of the Lords, pursuant to the Resolution of this House of the 23rd day of May last, relative to Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order Bills, and to the Message from the Lords of the 29th day of May last, signifying their concurrence in the said Resolution; and to request that their Lordships will be pleased to appoint an equal number of Lords to be joined with the Members of this House: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.—(Mr. *Burt*.)

Commons Regulation (Bexhill) Provisional Order Bill.

The Commons Regulation (*Bexhill*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Commons Regulation (Halifax) Provisional Order Bill.

The Commons Regulation (*Halifax*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Inclosure (Castor and Ailsworth) Provisional Order Bill.

The Inclosure (*Castor* and *Ailsworth*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Inclosure (Upton Saint Leonards) Provisional Order Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Inclosure (*Upton Saint Leonards*) Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law Bill) was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

New Ross and Waterford Junction Railways.

The Order made upon the 18th day of February last, That the Petition for the *New Ross* and *Waterford* Junction Railways Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Petition for the Bill be withdrawn.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Boyne Navigation Transfer Bill.

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the *Boyne* Navigation Transfer Bill, with respect to compliance with the Standing Orders relative to Private Bills.—(Sir *John Hibbert*.)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twelfth Report.

Employers Liability Act, 1880.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Employers' Liability Act, 1880, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant June, be printed.

No. 301.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland) Act (1877) Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time upon Friday next, the Supreme Court of Judicature (*Ireland*) Act (1877) Amendment Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of July next.

Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Poor Law Guardians' Qualification (*Ireland*) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of July next.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Estimates), 1895–96.

Class I.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Expenditure in respect of Royal Palaces and *Marlborough House*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Sub-head 3, Palaces not in the occupation of Her Majesty, be reduced by £. 10, in

in respect of *Holyrood Palace*—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*) :—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 74,000 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 6,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens :

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Sub-head 3, be reduced by £. 10, in respect of *Linlithgow Peel*—(Mr. *Alpheus Morton*) :—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,825, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Houses of Parliament Buildings :

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A. be reduced by £. 500, in respect of the proposed Statue to *Oliver Cromwell* :—(Mr. *Hayden*) :

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *William Redmond*, Mr. *Alfred Webb* : } 137.
Tellers for the Noes. { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur* : } 152.

Original Question again proposed :

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,325, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Cremer*) ;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Cremer*, Mr. *Alpheus Morton* : } 63.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur* : } 43.

4. £. 12,200, to complete the Sum for the Extension of the Admiralty Buildings.

5. £. 34,600, to complete the Sum for Expenditure in respect of Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, *viz.* County Courts, Metropolitan Police Courts, and Sheriff Court Houses, *Scotland*.

6. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 19,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Expenditure in respect of Art and Science Buildings, *Great Britain* :

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item M., Rents, Insurance, Tithes, &c., be reduced by £. 1,000—(Mr. *Bartley*) ;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bartley*, Mr. *Hanbury* : } 32.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur* : } 76.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

7. £. 15,000, to complete the Sum for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries Abroad.

8. £. 270,000, to complete the Sum for the Customs, Inland Revenue, Post Office, and Post Office Telegraph Buildings in *Great Britain*, including Furniture, Fuel, and sundry Miscellaneous Services.

9. £. 146,600, to complete the Sum for sundry Public Buildings in *Great Britain*, not provided for on other Votes.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 139,210, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Survey of the United Kingdom, and for minor services connected therewith ;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item C, Pay of Civil Assistants and Labourers, be reduced by £. 100—(Mr. *Paul*) : —Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed :

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*)——put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred ; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Seal Fisheries (North *Pacific*) Bill ;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time ;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "no Bill dealing with the taking "of seals in the *Pacific* will be satisfactory "which withdraws *British* protection from *British* "Subjects on the high seas, and subjects them "and their vessels in time of peace to search "or seizure by Foreign naval officers"—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question ;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right ;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur* : } 87.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Gibson Bowles*, Mr. *Tomlinson* : } 11.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning ;

Saturday, 15*th June*, 1895 :

And the Main Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time :—And a Debate arising thereupon :

And it being after Midnight, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 10th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Light Railways Bill be now read a second time ;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [13th June] Report.

Mr. *Thomas Ellis* reported from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Services (Revised Additional Estimate), 1895-96.

Class V.

British East Africa.

That a Sum, not exceeding £. 80,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for a Grant to the Imperial *British East Africa* Company on their retirement from *East Africa*, and for a Grant in Aid of the Expenses of Administration in *British East Africa*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

The Volunteers (Military Service) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pistols Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant June, That the Pistols Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be now taken into consideration;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday, next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Councils (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of May last, That the County Councils (*Ireland*) Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant May, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed upon Monday next.

Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parliamentary Voters' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters' Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Law Agents (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law Agents (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Jurors (Ireland) (County Cork) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors (*Ireland*) (County *Cork*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of July next.

Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Derelict Vessels (Reports) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 17*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Poole Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the *Poole* Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Greenock Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Greenock* Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Land Securities Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The Land Securities Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Oldham and Royton Canal Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Oldham* and *Royton* Canal Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Inclosure (Upton Saint Leonards) Provisional Order Bill.

The Inclosure (*Upton Saint Leonards*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Cambridge* and *Hertford*, and to the City of *Wakefield*: And that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That Standing Order 193A be suspended, and that the Bill be read the first time. —(Sir *Walter Foster*.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19) Bill. Bill 313.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to the Counties of *Cambridge* and *Hertford*, and to the City of *Wakefield*: and the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twelfth Report.

Habitual Offenders, &c. (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken before the Departmental Committee on Habitual Offenders, Vagrants, Beggars, and Inebriates, and Juvenile Delinquents in *Scotland*, with Appendix and Index.

Education (Scotland) (General Reports.)

Copy of General Report by the Chief Inspector of the *Scotch* Education Department of the Southern Division of *Scotland*, for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge.) No. 303.

Mr. *A. H. Dyke-Acland* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statute made by the University of *Cambridge* under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, on the 8th February 1895, altering Statute A, Chapter VI., of the Statutes of the University.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Charitable Endowments (London.) No. 304.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of August in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners, in the result of an Inquiry held in every Parish wholly or partly within the Administrative County of *London* into Endowments, subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1891, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that County, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing in the case of each such Parish whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners in the Parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Reports.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

Civil Servants (Retirement at the Age of Sixty-five.) No. 305.

Ordered, That there be laid before the House, a Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 12th June 1895, stating the circumstances under which certain Civil Servants have been retained in the Service after they have attained the Age of 65.

Sir *John Hibbert* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Merchant Shipping, 1894. No. 306.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Tables showing the Progress of *British* Merchant Shipping.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

North British Railway Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *North British* Railway Bill; That with reference to the Instruction of the House of the 9th of May as to the vesting in the *North British* Railway Company of the Undertakings of the *Kirkcaldy* District Railway Company and of the *East Fife* Railway Company, a Certificate of the Board of Trade was produced to the Committee showing that it had been proved to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 163, that the *North British* Railway Company have paid up and expended one-half of their capital.

That as regards the *Kirkcaldy* and District Railway Company it was proved to the Committee that their total authorised share and loan capital is £. 672,000, and that of such capital £. 260,000 may be held as applicable to the authorised dock at *Seafield*, the powers to construct which have however lapsed, and the *North British* Railway Company have now no intention to revive them; the authorised capital therefore applicable to their Railway Undertaking is £. 412,000.

That their paid-up capital amounts to £. 256,580, being more than one-half of their authorised capital as applicable to their Railway Undertaking, and that up to 31st December 1894, their total expenditure for the purposes of their Acts was £. 254,151.

That so far as not already constructed their powers to construct their authorised Railways have lapsed, but the *North British* Railway Company are applying to Parliament in their present Bill for new powers to construct the whole of the said authorised Railways so far as not already constructed, with the exception of a portion of the Railways authorised in 1883, in substitution for which the *North British* Railway Company are now seeking powers to construct two new Branch Railways.

That the Undertaking of the *Kirkcaldy* and District Railway Company is at present, to all intents and purposes, part of the *North British* Railway Company's Undertaking, that Company having subscribed £. 254,580 out of the total paid-up capital of the *Kirkcaldy* and District Railway Company of £. 256,580.

That

That as regards the *East Fife* Railway Company it was proved to the Committee that their total authorised share and loan capital is £.333,300, and that their paid-up capital is £. 2,000, that no part of their authorised lines has been constructed, and they are not in a position to raise capital or construct their authorised lines without the assistance of the *North British* Railway Company, and that an agreement has been entered into between them and the *North British* Railway Company whereby that Company undertake to provide the necessary funds for the construction of the *East Fife* Railways, as the same may be required on condition that the *East Fife* Railways are transferred to the *North British* Railway Company.

The Committee are satisfied of the ability and intention of the *North British* Railway Company to provide the funds required for the construction of the *East Fife* Railways, and that it is expedient that the transfer should be sanctioned.

The Committee therefore having considered all the circumstances and having heard evidence, are of opinion that notwithstanding the provisions of the said Standing Order No. 163, the proposed vesting of the Undertakings of the *Kirkcaldy* and District Railway Company and the *East Fife* Railway Company in the *North British* Railway Company may be allowed.

Mr. *Mellor* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and had found the same to be true, and had made provision in the Bill pursuant to a Resolution of the House of the 2nd day of April last; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Kingstown and Kingsbridge Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, without Amendment.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Swansea Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Swansea* Harbour Bill, with Amendments.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Law, &c.

Sir *George Osborne Morgan* reported from the Standing Committee on Law, Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure, to whom the Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill was committed; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill.

No. 307.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Bill 314.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill and Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill.

Mr. *Plunket* reported from the Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill and *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill; That the Parties opposing the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill had stated that the Evidence of *Richard Melville Beachcroft*, 11, *Craven Hill, Bayswater*, W., was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *Richard Melville Beachcroft* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That *Richard Melville Beachcroft* do attend the Committee on *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill and *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

District Councils Water Supply Facilities Bill.

Ordered, That the District Councils Water Supply Facilities Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

Ordered, That the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of May last, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time, be resumed upon Thursday next.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

Ordered, That the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Locomotives on Highways.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law with respect to the use of Locomotives on Highways: And that Mr. *Shaw Lefevre*, Mr. *Arnold Morley*, and Sir *John Hibbert* do prepare, and bring it in.

Locomotives on Highways Bill.

Bill 315.

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law with respect to the use of Locomotives on Highways: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 5 (Private benefactions).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, to leave out the words "out of his own resources."—(Sir *F. Powell.*)

Question proposed, That the words "out of "his own" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 6, after the word "resources," to insert the words "including sums contributed to meet grants "from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners or Queen "*Anne's* Bounty."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 6, to leave out the words "since the year One "thousand seven hundred and three."—(Sir *John Gorst.*)

Question put, That the word "since" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:* } 231.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond:* } 214.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 6, to leave out the words "seven hundred and "three," in order to insert the words "five "hundred and fifty-nine."—(Mr. *Grant Lawson.*)

Question, That the words "seven hundred and "three" stand part of the Clause——put, and negatived.

Question put, That the words "five hundred "and fifty-nine," be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond:* } 188.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:* } 199.

Words "six hundred and sixty-two"—(Mr. *Macdonald*),—inserted.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to insert the words "or "money raised by voluntary subscriptions since "that year."—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, after the word "subscriptions," to insert the words "or voluntarily given out of funds not "liable under any provision, statutory or other-"wise, to be applied to ecclesiastical purposes by "the holder of any ecclesiastical office, or any "corporation."—(Sir *Richard Webster.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Words inserted.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, after the last Amendment, to insert the words "and all interest "reserved and capitalised on grants made by "Queen *Anne's* Bounty."—(Sir *Richard Webster.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, after the last Amendment, to insert the words "and all grants "(other than grants out of moneys voted by "Parliament) made by lot or otherwise by "Queen *Anne's* Bounty."—(Sir *Richard Webster.*)

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, after the last Amendment, to insert the words "and all grants "(other than grants out of moneys voted by "Parliament) made by Queen *Anne's* Bounty in "excess of the total amount of first fruits and "tenths derived from the Church in *Wales.*"—(Sir *Richard Webster.*)

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 7, after the last Amendment, to insert the words "or which has not been derived from endow-"ments of the Church arising in *Wales* or *Mon-"mouthshire.*"—(Sir *Francis Powell.*)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *Francis Powell,* Mr. *Wyndham:*	136.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Ellis,* Mr. *M'Arthur:*	162.

Another Amendment proposed, after the last Amendment, to leave out from the word "three" to the word "shall," in l. 9.—(Colonel *Lockwood.*)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 10, after the word "benefaction," to insert the words "and shall be held for and applied to "the same purposes as those to which it was "applied at the passing of this Act."—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 16, at the end of the Clause, to add the words—

"(3.) Every order of the Ecclesiastical Com-"missioners and Queen *Anne's* Bounty under "this section shall be made with the concurrence "of the *Welsh* Commissioners, and every such "order of the *Welsh* Commissioners under this "section as relates to a benefice with respect to "which the Ecclesiastical Commissioners or "Queen *Anne's* Bounty have sent to the *Welsh* "Commissioners full particulars of any private "benefaction made thereto through them, shall "be made with the concurrence of the Ecclesi-"astical Commissioners or Queen *Anne's* Bounty "as the case requires.

"(4.) If any concurrence required by this "section to any order is not given, the order "shall be made with the approval of Her "Majesty the Queen in Council given on the "advice of the Judicial Committee of the Privy "Council."—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there added;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 3, to leave out the word "such."—(Mr. *Henry Hobhouse.*)

Question proposed, That the word "such" stand part of the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, in l. 6, to leave out the words "through them."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen.*)

Question proposed, That the words "through "them" stand part of the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Words added.

Another Amendment proposed after the last Amendment, to add the words—

"(5.) Where part only of any glebe is a "private benefaction within the meaning of this "Act, the glebe shall either—

"(a) be divided; or

"(b) be vested wholly in the representative "body, upon payment by that body to "the *Welsh* Commissioners of the value "of such part of the glebe as is not a "private benefaction; or

"(c) be retained wholly by the *Welsh* Com-"missioners, subject to the payment by "them to the representative body of the "value of such part of the glebe as is a "private benefaction.

"(6.) Where a part only of any tithe rent-"charge is a private benefaction within the "meaning of this Act, the whole of that tithe "rent-charge shall be retained by the *Welsh* "Commissioners subject to the payment by them "to the representative body either of an annual "or a capital sum, as the *Welsh* Commissioners "determine in respect of the value of such part "of the tithe rent-charge as is a private bene-"faction.

"(7.) The *Welsh* Commissioners and the "representative body may make and give effect "to agreements for carrying into effect the pro-"visions of this section respecting the division, "vesting, and retention of glebe or tithe rent-"charge of which part only is a private benefac-"tion and the payment in respect thereof, and in "default of agreement in any case the question "shall be determined by arbitration."—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there added;

Amendments made to the proposed Amendment.

Words, as amended, added.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

To report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 14th day of this instant June, That the Seal Fisheries (*North Pacific*) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being midnight the Debate stood adjourned;

Tuesday, 18*th June*, 1895:

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Naval Works Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Friendly Societies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Supreme Court (Officers) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Supreme Court (Officers) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Land Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 27th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquor Traffic (Local Control) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 27th day of this instant June.

Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Plural Voting, &c.) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 27th day of this instant June.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 27th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Boyne Navigation Transfer Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Boyne* Navigation Transfer Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per cent.* on 260,000*l.* of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a sum of money, not exceeding 30,000*l.*, to that Company; and to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums as may be necessary for those purposes—(Sir *John Hibbert*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Police Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Burgh Land Tax (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Burgh Land Tax (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Drafting of Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 23rd day of May last, That Mr. *Blake* be a Member of the Select Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords on Drafting of Bills;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of May last, That the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Supply [14th June] Report.

Mr. *Thomas Ellis* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–6.

Class I.

Royal Palaces and Marlborough House.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Expenditure in respect of Royal Palaces and *Marlborough House*.

Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 74,000 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 6,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens.

Houses of Parliament Buildings.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,325, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Houses of Parliament Buildings.

Admiralty Buildings (Extension.)

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Extension of the Admiralty Buildings.

County Courts, Metropolitan Police Courts, and Sheriff Court Houses, Scotland (Buildings.)

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 34,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Expenditure in respect

respect of Miscellaneous Legal Buildings, *viz.:* County Courts, Metropolitan Police Courts, and Sheriff Court Houses, *Scotland.*

Science and Art Department (Great Britain) Buildings.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 19,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Expenditure in respect of Art and Science Buildings, *Great Britain.*

Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, &c.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 15,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Expenditure in respect of Diplomatic and Consular Buildings, and for the maintenance of certain Cemeteries Abroad.

Customs, Inland Revenue, &c. Buildings (Great Britain.)

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 270,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Customs, Inland Revenue, Post Office, and Post Office Telegraph Buildings in *Great Britain*, including Furniture, Fuel, and sundry Miscellaneous Services.

Public Buildings (Great Britain.)

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 146,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, in respect of sundry Public Buildings in *Great Britain*, not provided for on other Votes.

The first Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The second Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 74,000," and inserting "£. 73,500,"—(Mr. *Disraeli*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£. 74,000" stand part of the said Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the Resolution was agreed to.

The third Resolution, being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 24,325," and inserting "£. 23,825,"—(Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "£. 24,325" stand part of the said Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Colonel *Saunderson*, Mr. *William Allen:*	83.
Tellers for the Noes,	Captain *Donelan*, Mr. *Hayden:*	220.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That "£. 23,825" be inserted in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Resolution, so amended, was agreed to, as followeth:—

That a Sum, not exceeding £.23,825, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Houses of Parliament Buildings.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 10th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Light Railways Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *John Ellis* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pistols Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant June, That the Pistols Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be now taken into consideration;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Cases Stated (Appeal) (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Cases Stated (Appeal) (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of May last, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed this day.

County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The

Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Patents Designs and Trade Marks Acts (1883 to 1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of July next.

Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Institutions for Idiots (Exemption from Rates) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Elections (Mariners' Votes) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cheap Trains (London) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheap Trains (*London*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Prohibited Persons (Drink) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Prohibited Persons (Drink) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of July next.

Agricultural Tenancies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Tenancies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Hypothec (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hypothec (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of July next.

Archdeaconry of Cornwall Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Archdeaconry of *Cornwall* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Sunday Closing (Wales) Act (1881) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sunday Closing (*Wales*) Act (1881) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of July next.

Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors to Children Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Lodger Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of February last, That the Lodger Franchise Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

High Court of Justice (Lancashire Sittings) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the High Court of Justice (*Lancashire* Sittings) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 16th day of July next.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons.)

Ordered, That Lord *Stanley* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons).

Ordered, That Sir *James Fergusson* and Mr. *James Bailey* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*).

And, it being twenty minutes after Two of the clock, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, pursuant to the Standing Order, without Question put, till this day.

Tuesday, 18*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

Mr. Speaker's Indisposition.

THE House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker, owing to indisposition;

Prayers.

Whereupon Mr. *Mellor*, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table, and after Prayers, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Derry City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Derry* City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Phœnix Assurance Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Secretary of State under the Military Lands Act: And that Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* and Mr. *Woodall* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That Standing Order 193A be suspended, and that the Bill be read the first time.—(Mr. *Woodall*.)

Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.
Bill 316.

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Secretary of State under the Military Lands Act: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bridgwater* and *Keighley*: And that Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* and Sir *Walter Foster* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That Standing Order 193A be suspended, and that the Bill be read the first time. —(Sir *Walter Foster*.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20) Bill.
Bill 317.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Bridgwater* and *Keighley*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Vide Thirteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Army (Pay, Non-Effective Pay, and Allowances.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of Exceptions to the Army Regulations as to Pay, Non-Effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned during the year ending 31st March 1895, by the Secretary of State for War, with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, pursuant to Royal Warrant of 27th October 1884.

Army (Militia.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of further Regulations relating to the Militia.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Experiments on Living Animals.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of May last, for a Return relative to Experiments on Living Animals (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 103, of Session 1894).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Trustee Savings Banks (Regulations.)

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations of the Trustee Savings Banks, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, No. 1568.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Local Taxation Licences, 1894-95.
No. 308.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return of the Amount received in respect of each Administrative County and County Borough in *England* and *Wales* for Local Taxation Licence Duties and Penalties, under the Act 51 & 52 *Vic.* c. 41, in the year ended the 31st day of March 1895.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Solway Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Roby* reported the *Solway* Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Private Bills (Group C.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) [Caerphilly and Saint George Orders] Bill.

Mr. *W. G. Mount* reported from the Committee on Group C. of Private Bills; That the parties promoting the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) [*Caerphilly* and *Saint George* Orders] Bill had stated that the evidence of *William Williams*, M.D., County Offices, *Westgate Street*, *Cardiff*, was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *William Williams* do attend the said Committee upon Friday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *William Williams* do attend the Committee on Group C. of Private Bills upon Friday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Deputy Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Ambleside Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Ambleside* Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Bill, without Amendment.

Barry Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Barry* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Vale of Glamorgan Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bristol Extension Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the City and County of *Bristol*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bristol Extension Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Bristol* Extension Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Selection (Standing Committees.)

Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures the following Fifteen Members, in respect of the Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill:—Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland*, Mr. *Arch*, Mr. *Dixon*, Sir *William Hart Dyke*, Mr. *Everett*, Mr. *Fuller*, Sir *John Kennaway*, Colonel *Kenyon-Slaney*, Mr. *Lambert*, Sir *John Lubbock*, Mr. *Martin*, Sir *Richard Paget*, Sir *Bernhard Samuelson*, Mr. *Halley Stewart*, and Mr. *Howard Whitbread*.

Agricultural Education in Elementary Schools Bill.

Trade, &c.

Sir *John Mowbray* further reported from the Committee; That they had added to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures the following Fifteen Members, in respect of the Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill, Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill, and Boards of Conciliation Bill:—Mr. *William Abraham* (*Rhondda*), Mr. *Bryce*, Mr. *Butcher*, Mr. *Cohen*, Mr. *Donald Crawford*, Mr. *Charles Fenwick*, Mr. *Holland*, Mr. *Howell*, Sir *John Lubbock*, Mr. *Mather*, Sir *Samuel Montagu*, Sir *Francis Powell*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Wolff*, and Mr. *Yerburgh*.

Conciliation (Trade Disputes) Bill.

Trade Disputes (Conciliation and Arbitration) Bill, and Boards of Conciliation Bill.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Sir

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders a Resolution which was read, as followeth:

Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill [*Lords.*]

That, in the case of the *Bute* Docks, *Cardiff*, Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that Clause 23 be struck out of the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill [*Lords.*]

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders in respect of the *Bute* Docks, *Cardiff*, Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Croydon Corporation Bill.

Mr. *Walter Long* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills: That, in the case of the *Croydon* Corporation Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and had found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

South Shields Corporation Bill.

Mr. *Walter Long* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That, in the case of the *South Shields* Corporation Bill they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill, as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Workmen's Accidents (Compensation) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday next, the Workmen's Accidents (Compensation) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of July next.

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Main Question proposed upon the 14th day of this instant June, That the Seal Fisheries (*North Pacific*) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—(Sir *Edward Grey*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Committee of the whole House," and inserting the words "Select Committee,"—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "Committee of the whole House," stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 6 (Disposition of Property by *Welsh* Commissioners).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 20, after the word "Act," to insert the words "whether "such property is attached to a parochial bene-"fice or not in the *Welsh* council hereafter men-"tioned."—(Mr. *David Thomas.*)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *David Thomas*, Admiral *Field*: } 179.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 192.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 22, to leave out the words "all churches."—(Mr. *Bryn Roberts.*)

Question, That the words "all churches" stand part of the Clause — put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 22, after the first word "churches," to insert the words "and all burial grounds appendent to "cathedrals or vested in incumbents."—(Sir *Francis Powell.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Amendment proposed to the proposed Amendment, to add, at the end thereof, the words "which have been closed under any Act of Par-"liament or any order made thereunder."—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith.*)

Question proposed, That those words be added to the proposed Amendment:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment amended, by leaving out the word "appendent," and inserting the word "belong-"ing."

Question put, That the words, "and all burial "grounds belonging to cathedrals or vested in "incumbents" be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: } 149.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 169.

Wednesday, 19*th June*, 1895:

And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Allotments and Cottage Gardens Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments and Cottage Gardens Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Friendly Societies Bill.

The Friendly Societies Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House for Thursday next.

Boyne Navigation Transfer Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Boyne* Navigation Transfer Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Police Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Land Transfer [Consolidated] Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Pistols Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant June, That the Pistols Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be now taken into consideration;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of May last, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed upon Thursday next.

Technical Education (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Technical Education (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 30th day of July next.

Houses in Towns (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Houses in Towns (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Libraries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Places of Worship (Leasehold Enfranchisement) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 8th day of July next.

Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Public Health (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Health (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Parliamentary Voters' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters' Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government Act (1888) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday next, the County Councillors (Qualification of Women) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 19*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

ORDERED, That the *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Lynton and Barnstaple Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Lynton* and *Barnstaple* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Experiments on Living Animals.

Vide Thirteenth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Experiments on Living Animals, which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant June, be printed.

No. 309.

Ordered,

Trustee Savings Banks (Regulations.) No. 310.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Trustee Savings Banks (Regulations), which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant June, be printed.

Births, Deaths, and Marriages (England.)

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-seventh Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in *England* (1894).

Births, Deaths, and Marriages (England.)

Copy of Supplement to the Fifty-fifth Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in *England*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Lunacy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of the Forty-ninth Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy to the Lord Chancellor.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE N° 6 (Disposition of property by *Welsh* Commissioners.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 23, after the word "houses," to insert the words "and all buildings and orchards pertaining thereto."—(Mr. *Laurence Hardy*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 23, after the word "houses," to insert the words "and further, they shall determine what annual "Sum may reasonably be required to maintain "and keep in proper repair and condition each "such church and ecclesiastical residence; and "such Sums shall be charged upon the church "temporalities hitherto belonging to the ecclesi-"astical parish or cathedral corporation as the "case may be, and shall be paid to the repre-"sentative body."—(Viscount *Cranborne*.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Viscount *Cranborne*, Mr. *Hanbury*: } 171.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 197.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 23, after the word "houses," to insert the words "together with such portion of the glebe, if any, "as is adjacent or near thereto, not exceeding "ten acres: Provided always, that if the Com-"missioners shall be of opinion that for the con-"venient enjoyment of any ecclesiastical resi-"dence, or by reason of the severance which "would otherwise take place, an additional "quantity of glebe should be so vested, they "shall by order vest such additional land in the "said body."—(Mr. *Laurence Hardy*.)

Question, That those words be there inserted,—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 23, after the word "houses," to insert the words: "Where any ecclesiastical residence or parsonage "house is by order of the Commissioners vested "in the said representative body, the Commis-"sioners may, on the application of the said "body, by order, vest a further portion of land "in the said body, that is to say:—

"(1.) In the case of a see house a quantity of "land not exceeding thirty acres, being land usually occupied with the said see house;

"(2.) In the case of any other ecclesiastical "residence or parsonage house a quantity of "land not exceeding ten acres, being land "usually occupied with the said ecclesiastical "residence or parsonage house;

"Provided always, that if the Commissioners "shall be of opinion that, for the convenient "enjoyment of the said house or residence or "parsonage, or by reason of the severance, "which would otherwise take place, an additional "quantity of land should be granted, they shall "by order vest such additional land in the said "body.

"There shall be paid to the said Commissioners "by the said representative body as the price of "the land to be vested in them in pursuance of "this section such sums as may be agreed upon "or may be determined by arbitration.

"Any vesting order made by the Commis-"sioners in pursuance of this section shall have "attached thereto a map accurately defining the "land thereby vested."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, to leave out Sub-section (b).—(Sir *John Gorst*.)

Question put, That the words "They shall "vest" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 205.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Mr. *Tomlinson*: } 191.

And it being half-past Five of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair to make his Report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Seal Fisheries (*North Pacific*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trusts Administration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trusts Administration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of July next.

Larceny Act Amendment Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Larceny Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of July next.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Rating of Machinery Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Rating of Machinery Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Church Patronage Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Church Patronage Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Pistols Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant June, That the Pistols Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be now taken into consideration.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Shops Early Closing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Shops Early Closing (re-committed) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Tramways (Local Authorities) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Burials Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Burials Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 3rd day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Justices of the Peace Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Justices of the Peace Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 4th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of April last, That the Poor Law (Electors) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Municipal Superannuation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Municipal Superannuation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 3rd day of May last, That the Trustee Act (1893) Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Charities (Diversions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Charities (Diversions) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of July next.

Justices of the Peace (Qualification) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace (Qualification) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Industrial and Provident Societies (Purchase of Fee Simple) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Rural Advertisements Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rural Advertisements Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Working Men's Dwellings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Working Men's Dwellings Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3rd day of July next.

Jurors' Payment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Jurors' Payment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 9th day of July next.

Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Justices of the Peace Qualification (Repeal) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Town Leaseholds Extension (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Town Leaseholds Extension (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of July next.

Return Tickets Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Return Tickets Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Chartered Accountants Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Chartered Accountants Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Law Agents (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Law Agents (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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London Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *London* Waterworks Transfer (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Stationery Office (Printing Contracts.)

The Select Committee on the Stationery Office (Printing Contracts) was nominated of Mr. *Michael Austin*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *John Burns*, Mr. *Courtney*, Mr. *Laurence Hardy*, Mr. *Henniker Heaton*, Sir *John Hibbert*, Mr. *Lough*, Sir *Herbert Maxwell*, Captain *Norton*, Mr. *Stephens*, Colonel *Howard Vincent*, and Mr. *Woods*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Extraordinary Tithe.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove Doubts, arising under the Extraordinary Tithe Redemption Act, 1886: And that Mr. *Herbert Gardner* and Mr. Attorney General do prepare, and bring it in.

Extraordinary Tithe Bill. Bill 318.

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* accordingly presented a Bill to remove Doubts arising under the Extraordinary Tithe Redemption Act, 1886: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Cork City (Writ.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Cork*, in the room of *William O'Brien*, Esquire, who, since his election for the said City of *Cork*, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke*, *Desborough*, and *Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.—(Dr. *Tanner*.)

Clonmel Corporation Bill.

Mr. *Walter Long* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That, in the case of the *Clonmel* Corporation Bill, they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and amended the same to make them consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions (Twelfth Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, and 17th days of this instant June, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill.

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported the *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 5.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That, there being no business ready for consideration, the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 20*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Neath, *Pontardawe*, and *Bryn-aman* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas D. Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Reformatory and Industrial Schools (*Channel Islands* Children) Act, 1895.
2. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1895.
3. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1895.
4. *Ambleside* Urban District Council (Gas and Water) Act, 1895.
5. Bank of *Bolton*, Limited, Act, 1895.
6. *Brymbo* Water Act, 1895.
7. *Waterford* and *Limerick* Railway Act, 1895.
8. *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Act, 1895.
9. South Eastern Railway Act, 1895.
10. *Barry* Railway Act, 1895.
11. Vale of *Glamorgan* Railway Act, 1895.

Poole Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The *Poole* Harbour Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords: and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

The *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 21.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to *Warrington*: And that

that Sir *Walter Foster* and Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That Standing Order 193A be suspended, and that the Bill be read the first time. —(Sir *Walter Foster*.)

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 21) Bill.
Bill 319.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to *Warrington*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirteenth Report.

Lunacy.
No. 311.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Lunacy, which was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House, upon the 19th day of this instant June, be printed.

National School Teachers (Ireland) Pension Fund.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of Receipts and Payments in respect of the Capital and Income of the National School Teachers (*Ireland*) Pension Fund, for the year ended 31st December 1894, with the Certificate of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Education (Scotland) (General Reports.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Report by the Chief Inspector of the *Scotch* Education Department of the Western Division of *Scotland* for the year 1894.

Education (Scotland.)

Copy of Twenty-second Annual Report of the Accountant for *Scotland* to the *Scotch* Education Department.

Teachers' Pensions (Scotland.)
No. 312.

The Lord Advocate also presented,—Return to an Order dated the 16th day of May last, for a Return relative to Teachers' Pensions (*Scotland*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Teachers' Pensions (*Scotland*) be printed.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Intermediate Education Board for *Ireland*, dated 24th May 1895, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Small Holdings Act, 1892.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing for each County (a) the Number and Date of the Petitions (if any) presented under Section 5 of the Act, with a Copy of the Resolutions of the County Council thereon; (b) the Amount of Land (if any) acquired under Section 3 of the Act, with the Parish or Parishes in which the same is situate; (c) the Number of Small Holdings provided, with the Acreage of each Holding and the Terms of Sale or Letting, as the case may be.—(Mr. *Macdonald*.)

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Order Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Drainage and Improvement of Lands (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time To-morrow.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Acton) Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Acton*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Bristol) Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Bristol*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Croydon) Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Croydon*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Hornsey) Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Hornsey*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Leeds) Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Orders Confirmation (*Leeds*) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Mr.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Liverpool) Bill [Lords] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Liverpool*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Llangollen) Bill [Lords] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Llangollen*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Longbenton) Bill [Lords] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Longbenton*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Lowestoft) Bill [Lords] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Lowestoft*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Manchester) Bill [Lords] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Manchester*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Pwllheli) Bill [Lords] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Pwllheli*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Weston super Mare) Bill [Lords] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Weston-Super-Mare*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Wilmington) Bill [Lords] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Wilmington*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Provisional Order (Paisley) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Provisional Order (*Paisley*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes) (No. 2) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes) (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Dublin (City) Steam Packet Bill.

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Dublin* (City) Steam Packet Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill; and amended the same, to make it consistent with the Provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Downing College Bill [Lords.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Downing* College Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Liskeard and Looe Railway Extension Bill [Lords.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Railway Extension Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Belfast and Northern Counties Railway Bill [Lords.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Belfast* and Northern Counties Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Carrickfergus Town Commissioners Bill [Lords.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Carrickfergus* Town Commissioners Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Naturalization (Residence Abroad) Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Naturalization Act, 1870, so far as respects Children of Naturalised *British* Subjects in the service of the Crown resident out of the United Kingdom; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Practices) Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Municipal Elections (Corrupt and Illegal Practices) Act, 1884, and the Acts applying the same as respects the Report of an Election Court; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to constitute and incorporate a Gas and Water Board for the Borough of *Chesterfield* and the Districts adjacent thereto, in the County of *Derby*; to transfer to and vest in such Board the Undertaking of the *Chesterfield* Waterworks and Gas Light Company, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Brean Down Harbour and Railway Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Time for the compulsory purchase of Lands and for the completion of the Pier or Jetty Railway and Works authorised by the *Brean Down* Harbour and Railway Act, 1889; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Stroud and Painswick (Light) Railway Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from *Stroud* to *Painswick*, to be called "The *Stroud* and *Painswick* (Light) Railway," and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further Powers upon the *Manchester*, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company, the *Wirral* Railways Committee, the *Liverpool*, *Saint Helens*, and South *Lancashire* Railway Company, the *Wrexham*, *Mold*, and *Connah's Quay* Railway Company, and the *Cheshire* Lines Committee; to change the Name of the *Wirral* Railways Committee, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Thames and Severn Canal Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting in a Public Trust to be incorporated for that purpose the Undertaking of the Company of Proprietors of the *Thames* and *Severn* Canal Navigation, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Statute Law Revision Bills, &c.

The Lords have committed the Short Titles Bill and the Administration of Estates (Consolidation) Bill to the Joint Committee appointed by both Houses to consider all Statute Law Revision Bills and Consolidation Bills of the present Session.

Short Titles Bill [Lords]; Administration of Estates (Consolidation) Bill [Lords.]

Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill [Lords.]

The *Chesterfield* Gas and Water Board Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Brean Down Harbour and Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *Brean Down* Harbour and Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Stroud and Painswick (Light) Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *Stroud* and *Painswick* (Light) Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Bill [Lords.]

The *Manchester*, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Thames and Severn Canal Bill [Lords.]

The *Thames* and *Severn* Canal Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Established Church (Wales) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Established Church (*Wales*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 6 (Disposition of property by *Welsh* Commissioners).

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, after the words "vest," to insert the words "any "tithe rent-charge, and."—(Mr. *Lough*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, after the word "ground," to insert the words "of any ecclesiastical parish where it has been "closed under the provisions of any Act of Par-"liament."—(Viscount *Cranborne*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to add the words "or as "soon as it becomes so closed."—(Viscount *Cranborne*.)

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Viscount *Cranborne*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*: } 184.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 206.

Another Amendment made

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, after the words "burial ground," to insert the words "other than burial grounds annexed or "adjacent to any church, but not separated "therefrom by any carriage road, which shall be "vested in the representative body."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Mr. *Vicary Gibbs*: } 113.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 135.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 24, after the word "and," to insert the word "such "part of the."—(Sir *Richard Webster*.)

Question

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 27, after the first word "parish," to insert the words "in which it is situate."—(Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen.*)

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Griffith-Boscawen*, Mr. *Byrne:* } 131.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:* } 151.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 27, after the first word "parish," to insert the words "to which such glebe or burial ground belongs."—(Mr. *Penrose Fitzgerald.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 35, after the word "jointly," to insert the words "but so that each part of any such parish may "benefit in proportion to its population."—(Sir *Michael Hicks Beach.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 36, to leave out Sub-section (c) of Sub-section (1).—(Mr. *David Thomas.*)

Question proposed, That the words "they "shall vest any tithe rent-charge in the" stand part of the Clause.

Chairman declines to propose the Question to report Progress (Abuse of Rules.)

Mr. *Wyndham* moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee:—Debate resumed.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Chamberlain*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That the words "they shall vest "any tithe rent-charge in the" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur:* } 172.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *David Thomas*, Admiral *Field:* } 165.

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And, it being after Midnight, the Chairman left the Chair to make his report to the House.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Seal Fisheries (*North Pacific*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Coal Mines Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Truck Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Truck Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Commons and Open Spaces Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Commons and Open Spaces Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Naval Works Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Naval Works Bills, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of May last, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the Resolution, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per cent.* on £. 260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a sum of money, not exceeding £. 30,000, to that Company; and to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such sums as may be necessary for those purposes—(Sir *John Hibbert*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Drafting of Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 23rd day of May last, That Mr. *Blake* be a Member of the Select Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the Lords on Drafting of Bills—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of May last, That the Evidence in Criminal Cases (No. 2) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Light Railways Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 10th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Light Railways Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Friendly Societies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Boyne Navigation Transfer Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Boyne* Navigation Transfer Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Metropolitan Police Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Metropolitan Police Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the House Tax (Consolidation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Land Transfer [Consolidated Fund];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pistols Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant June, That the Pistols Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be now taken into consideration;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Shops Early Closing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Shops Early Closing (re-committed) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Register of Burgh Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Register of Burgh Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Farm Servants (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Farm Servants (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Tenure Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of May last, That the Land Tenure Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding be resumed upon Wednesday next.

Purchase of Land Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Purchase of Land Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of July next.

Salmon Fisheries (Ireland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Salmon Fisheries (*Ireland*) Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of May last, That the Parliamentary Franchise (Women) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Franchise and Removal of Women's Disabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Agricultural Tenancies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agricultural Tenancies Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registers of Electors (Duplicate Entries) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Parliamentary Voters' Registration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Voters' Registration Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Registration of Voters (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Registration of Voters (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Wild Birds Protection Acts Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Land Transfer Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord *Davey* to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on the Land Transfer Bill—(Mr. Attorney General):—And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 21*st June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [*Lords.*]

THE Phœnix Assurance Company Bill was read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Chelsea Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Chelsea* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

East London Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East *London* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Kent Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Kent* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

New River Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *New River* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the West *Middlesex* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The Order made upon the 13th day of this instant June, That the *London, Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway (Abandonment) Bill be read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

A Petition of the *Manchester, Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company, and of the Metropolitan Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Manchester, Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Bill to render effective an Agreement made between the parties, empowering the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company to construct a certain Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Order Bill.

The Drainage and Improvement of Lands (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Acton) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Acton*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Bristol) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Bristol*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Croydon) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Croydon*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Hornsey) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Hornsey*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Orders Confirmation (Leeds) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Leeds*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Liverpool) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Liverpool*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Llangollen) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Llangollen*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Longbenton) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Longbenton*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Lowestoft) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Lowestoft*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Manchester) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Manchester*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Pwllheli) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Pwllheli*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Weston-super-Mare) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Weston-super-Mare*) Bill, was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Wilmington) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Wilmington*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill) was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill.

The Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Provisional Order (Paisley) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Provisional Order (*Paisley*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of the Working Classes) (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirteenth Report. Imperial Defence Act, 1888. No. 312.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of all Moneys issued from the Consolidated Fund and of Sums borrowed, and of Transactions in relation to Sums so borrowed up to the 31st March 1895, in pursuance of "The Imperial Defence Act, 1888."

Post Office Savings Banks. No. 313.

Account of all Deposits received and paid under the authority of the Act 24 *Vic.* c. 14, during the year ended 31st December 1894, and of the Expenses incurred from the commencement of the Business on 16th September 1861 to 31st December 1894, together with a Statement of the Total Amount due at the close of the year 1894 to all Depositors; and Account of the Sums received and paid by the National Debt Commissioners on account of the Fund for the Post Office Savings Banks *per* Act 24 *Vic.* c. 14, from 31st December 1893 to 31st December 1894, inclusive.

Savings Banks and Friendly Societies. No. 314.

Account for the year ended 31st December 1894, showing the interest accrued in respect of the Securities standing in the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to the credit of the Post Office Savings Banks Fund, the Interest paid and credited to Depositors in pursuance of the Acts relating to Post Office Savings Banks, and the Expenses incurred in the execution of those Acts.

Account for the year ended 20th November 1894, showing the Interest accrued in respect of the Securities standing in the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, to the credit of the Fund for the Banks for Savings, and the Interest paid and credited to Trustees of Savings Banks.

Account for the year ended 20th November 1894, showing the interest accrued in respect of the Securities standing in the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to the Credit of the Fund for Friendly Societies, and the Interest paid and credited to the Trustees of Friendly Societies.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Copy of Treasury Minute, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 13th June 1895, declaring that *William Lowson*, Sorting Clerk, Post Office, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Accounts relative to the Imperial Defence Act, 1888, Post Office Savings Banks, and Savings Banks and Friendly Societies be printed.

Russia (No. 1, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting the Agreement with *Russia* relative to the Seal Fishery in the *North Pacific* (in continuation of "*Russia* (No. 3, 1893)").

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

City Church Fund.

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return relative to the City Church Fund.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Local Government (Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed, and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Tramways (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Tramways (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments

ments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Army (Average Numbers at Home and Abroad.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return for the years 1893 and 1894, as regards the United Kingdom and Foreign Stations, showing separately for the United Kingdom, *Bengal*, *Madras*, *Bombay*, *Gibraltar*, *Malta*, *Cyprus*, *Egypt*, *Canada*, *Bermuda*, *West Indies*, *Jamaica*, *South Africa*, *Mauritius*, *Ceylon*, *Straits Settlements*, and *Hong Kong*, the Average Annual Strength of the Troops; the Admissions of Soldiers to Hospital; and the Ratio of Admissions *per* Thousand of Mean Strength for Primary Venereal Sores, Secondary Syphilis, and Gonorrhœa respectively; together with the Total Numbers constantly Sick from those Causes, and the Ratio constantly Sick from such Causes *per* thousand of Mean Strength. The Return to specify any Changes which have been made during the Period it covers in the Nomenclature of the Diseases referred to, showing the general Effect on the subsequent Statistics in the Return, with the Dates when such changes were made (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 509, of Session 1893-94.)—(Mr. *Jeffreys*.)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to *Holyhead* Water, Mid-*Kent* Water, and *South Hayling* Water; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Tramways Act, 1870, relating to *Hartlepools* Tramways, *Hartlepool* Electric Tramways, *Newcastle-upon-Tyne* Corporation Tramways, and *Wigan* and District Tramways; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Life Assurance Companies (Payment into Court) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Life Assurance Companies to pay Money into Court in certain cases; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 320.

The Water Orders Confirmation Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [*Lords*.] Bill 321.

The Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Housing of the Rural Working Classes.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for removing the restrictions placed upon Rural District Councils in adopting the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, Part III.: And that Mr. *Diamond*, Mr. *John Burns*, Mr. *Alpheus Morton*, and Mr. *Maden* do prepare, and bring it in.

Housing of the Rural Working Classes Bill. Bill 322.

Mr. *Diamond* accordingly presented a Bill for removing the restrictions placed upon Rural District Councils in adopting the Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1890, Part III.: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 19th day of July next; and to be printed.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1895-96.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 257,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges of the War Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item A be reduced by £. 100, in respect of the Salary of the Secretary of State—(Mr. *Brodrick*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Akers-Douglas*, Sir *William Walrond*: } 132.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Ellis*, Mr. *M'Arthur*: } 125.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman*),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 3rd day of May last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Fisheries Acts Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Naval Works Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A New Schedule (Heads of proposed Expenditure) was offered to be added to the Bill—(Mr. *Edmund Robertson*):—And the said Schedule was brought up, and read the first and second time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, in ls. 12 and 13, by leaving out the words

"Dover—
Breakwater, &c. | 1,920,000 | - | 1,920,000 | 10,000 | 1905-6"

—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then an Amendment was made to the Schedule.

And the New Schedule, as amended, was made part of the Bill.

Then the Former Schedule of the Bill was disagreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 2 and N° 3, agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Friendly Societies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be committed to the Standing Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and Legal Procedure—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee on the Bill.

(In the Committee.

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 21, agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

House Tax (Consolidation) Bill.

The House Tax (Consolidation) Bill was, according to Order read a second time.

And a Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed to the Joint Committee on Statute Law Revision, &c. Bills—(Sir *John Hibbert*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Joint "Committee on Statute Law Revision, &c. "Bills," in order to add the words "Standing "Committee on Law, and Courts of Justice, and "Legal Procedure."

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question—(Mr. *Parker Smith*):—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Statute Law Revision, &c. Bills.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to the Joint Committee on Statute Law Revision, &c. Bills.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Extension of Power to Grant Out-door Relief in Food and Fuel).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Banbury*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Out-door Relief not to involve electoral disability).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Banbury*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill,—put, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4, agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit until half an hour after Ten of the clock, accordingly adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 24th June, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill.
Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Birmingham, North *Warwickshire*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway Bill.
Brean Down Harbour and Railway Bill.
Bristol Extension Bill.
Stroud and *Painswick* (Light) Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Boyne Navigation Transfer Bill (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Order of the House of the 14th day of this instant June, That, in the case of the following Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Boyne Navigation Transfer Bill.

Mr.

Private Bill [Lords] (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Liverpool Electric Supply Transfer Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Carrickfergus Town Commissioners Bill [Lords.]

The *Carrickfergus* Town Commissioners Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Lynton and Barnstaple Railway Bill [Lords.]

A Motion being made, That the *Lynton* and *Barnstaple* Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Belfast and Northern Counties Railway Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Belfast* and Northern Counties Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Croydon Corporation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Croydon* Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Kingstown and Kingsbridge Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

North British Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the *North British* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Solway Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Solway* Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Swansea Harbour Bill [Lords.]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Swansea* Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill [Lords.]

The *Bute* Docks, *Cardiff*, Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirteenth Report.

City Church Funds. No. 316.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the City Church Fund, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed.

Royal Observatory (Edinburgh.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifth Annual Report of the Astronomer Royal for *Scotland*, being for the year ended 15th April 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Diseases of Animals Act, 1894.

Mr. *John Morley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made under the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, of the Lords Justices and Privy Council in *Ireland*, and dated 17th June 1895, relating to the landing of Foreign Animals in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Out-door Relief (Specified Counties.)

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of March last, for a Return relative to Out-door Relief (Specified Counties).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Wines Imported. No. 317.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return relative to Wines Imported (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 96, of Session 1894).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Accounts and Estimates, 1895–96.)

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Explanatory Memorandum by the Secretary of State for *India* on the Accounts and Estimates for *East India*, 1895–96.

East India (Cantonment Acts.) No. 318.

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of May last, for a Return relative to the *East India* (Cantonment Acts).

East India (Income and Expenditure.) No. 319.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 13th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to *East India* (Income and Expenditure).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Returns relative to *East India* (Cantonment Acts) and *East India* (Income and Expenditure) be printed.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Greenock Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Greenock* Harbour Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Standing Committee (Scotland.) Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

Sir *James Stansfeld* reported from the Standing Committee (*Scotland*), to whom the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

No. 320. *Ordered*, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Bill 323. *Ordered*, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Seal Fisheries (*North Pacific*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Power to prohibit by Order in Council the hunting of seals in *Behring Sea* and adjacent parts of the *Pacific* Ocean).

Chairman declines to propose the Question. to report Progress (Abuse of Rules.)

Dr. *Tanner* moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again; but the Chairman being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 2 to N° 7, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Secretary *Asquith*):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Four of the clock, adjourned accordingly till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 25*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Kent and *Surrey* Permanent Benefit Building Society Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Petition for additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Manchester, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Clonmel Corporation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Clonmel* Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Downing College Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Downing* College Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments: to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Dublin (City) Steam Packet Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Dublin* (City) Steam Packet Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with a New Title, as followeth:

[New Title.]

An Act for making the Railway and Canal Traffic Acts applicable to the Steamers of the City of *Dublin* Steam Packet Company between *Holyhead* and *Kingstown* during any Mail Contract; to authorise that Company to borrow Money, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Liskeard and Looe Railway Extension Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Railway Extension Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The

North British Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *North British* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration after the other Private Business.

Neath, Pontardawe, and Bryn-aman Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Neath, Pontardawe*, and *Bryn-aman* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Solway Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the *Solway* Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That Standing Orders 82, 211, and 237 be suspended, and that the Committee on the *Bute* Docks, *Cardiff*, Bill have leave to sit and proceed To-morrow.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

North British Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *North British* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. *Labouchere*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Labouchere*, Mr. *Lloyd-George*: } 150.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Baird*, Mr. *Parker Smith*: } 217.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Original Question being put;

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions.

Vide Supplement to the Thirteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Outdoor Relief (Specified Counties. No. 321.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Outdoor Relief (Specified Counties), which was presented upon the 24th day of this instant June, be printed.

Army (Military Prisons.)

Mr. Secretary *Campbell-Bannerman* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Discipline and Management of the Military Prisons for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Income Tax Assessments. No. 322.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of May last, for a Return relative to Income Tax Assessments, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Prisons (Departmental Committee.)

Mr. Secretary *Asquith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minutes of Evidence taken by the Departmental Committee on Prisons, appointed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department; with Appendices and Index.

Explosions (Timsbury Colliery.)

Copy of Reports to the Secretary of State on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred in the *Timsbury* Colliery on the 6th February 1895, by *J. Roskill*, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, and *Joseph S. Martin*, Esquire, Her Majesty's Inspector of Mines.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Education (England and Wales.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Committee of Council on Education (*England* and *Wales*), 1894–95.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Japan (No. 1, 1895.)

Sir *Edward Grey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at *Tôkiô* forwarding Copy of the Treaty of Peace concluded between *China* and *Japan*, 17th April 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Bill.

Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill.

Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords.*]

Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Water Orders Confirmation Bill.

Station Name Boards.

Copy of Circular from the Board of Trade to the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom, and Correspondence relating to Station Name Boards.

Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1890 (Proceedings.)

Mr. *Bryce* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the Applications to and Proceedings of the Board under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1890, during the past year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Royal University of Ireland. No. 323.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Account of Receipts and Expenditure of the Royal University of *Ireland* for the year ended 31st March 1895,

1895, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

National Education (Ireland) (Conscience Clause.)

No. 324.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence in the year 1895 between the *Irish* Government and the Commissioners of National Education for *Ireland*, with Extracts from Minutes of the Proceedings of the Commissioners, in relation to certain proposed changes in the Rules under which Grants are made by Parliament for Elementary Education in *Ireland*.

Mr. *John Morley* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Staffordshire Potteries Stipendiary Justice Bill [*Lords*.]

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Staffordshire Potteries* Stipendiary Justice Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Sutton Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Sutton* Harbour Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Central Ireland Railway Bill.

Mr. *Roby* reported from the Committee on the Central *Ireland* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Private Bills (Group C.)

Pilotage Provisional Order Bill.

Mr. *W. G. Mount* reported from the Committee on Group C of Private Bills; That the Parties promoting the Pilotage Provisional Order Bill had stated that the Evidence of *Robert P. J. Simpson*, R.N., Pilotage Superintendent of the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board, *Liverpool*. was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *Robert P. J. Simpson* do attend the said Committee upon Thursday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *Robert P. J. Simpson* do attend the Committee on Group C of Private Bills upon Thursday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Weights and Measures.

The Lords give leave to the Lord *Kelvin* to attend in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by this House on Weights and Measures, his Lordship (in his place) consenting.

Land Transfer Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords give leave to the Lord *Davey* to attend in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by this House on the Land Transfer Bill, his Lordship (in his place) consenting.

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order Bills.

The Lords have appointed a Committee, consisting of Five Lords, to join with the Committee of the Commons (pursuant to Message of this House) for the consideration of the following Bill, *viz.*:—

Canal Rates, Tolls, and Charges Provisional Order [*Strabane* Canal] Bill;

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [*Caledonian* and *Crinan* Canals] Bill;

Canal Tolls and Charges Provisional Order [River *Ouse* (*Beds.* and *Hunts.*), &c.] Bill.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 4) Bill, without Amendment.

Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without Amendment.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, without Amendment.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without Amendment.

Poole Harbour Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Poole* Harbour Bill, without Amendment.

Lynton and Barnstaple Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Lynton* and *Barnstaple* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Mortgagees' Costs Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Bridlington* and *Quay* Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Weaver Navigation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Weaver* Navigation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Extradition Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Extradition Acts, 1870 and 1873, so far as respects the Magistrate by whom and the place in which the case may be heard, and the Criminal held in custody; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Tramways Acts, 1870, relating to City of *Gloucester* Tramways, *London* United Tramways, and *Somerton*, *Keinton-Mandeville*, and *Castle Cary* Tramways; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to *Bootle*, *New Windsor* and *Eton*, *Prescot*, *Salisbury*, *Southampton*, and *Windermere* and District; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Electric Lighting Provisiona Order (No. 6) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to *Liverpool*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Barnsley Corporation (Water) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Corporation of *Barnsley* to obtain Water from *Hagg Brook* and other Tributaries of the River *Porter* or *Little Don*, in the Township of *Bradfield*, for the supply of the Borough of *Barnsley*, and other places; and to borrow further Money to extend their limits of Water Supply, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The

Rotherham Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision respecting the Gas and Water Supply of the Corporation of *Rotherham*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Lords.] Bill 324

The Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill [Lords.] Bill 325.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill [Lords.] Bill 326.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Barnsley Corporation (Water) Bill [Lords.]

The *Barnsley* Corporation (Water) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Rotherham Corporation Bill [Lords.]

The *Rotherham* Corporation Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Four of the clock, adjourned accordingly till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 26th June, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Standing Orders.

ORDERED, That so much of Standing Order No. 91 as fixes Five as the Quorum of the Select Committee on Standing Orders be read, and suspended.

Ordered, That, for the remainder of the Session, Three be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Sir *John Mowbray*.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Supplement to the Thirteenth Report.

Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Bill [Lords.] No. 325.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Bill, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill [Lords.] No. 326.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Bill, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Water Orders Confirmation Bill [Lords.] No. 327.

Ordered, That the Paper relative the Water Orders Confirmation Bill, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1890 (Proceedings.) No. 328.

Ordered That the Paper relative to the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1890 (Proceedings), which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Local Taxation Returns (England.) No. 329.

Mr. *Shaw Lefevre* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—The Annual Local Taxation Returns for *England* for the year 1893-94, Part I. (Poor Rate Return and Valuation for Poor Rate).

Local Taxation Returns (England.) No. 330.

The Annual Local Taxation Returns for *England* for the year 1893-94, Part II., containing Abstracts of Accounts of County Councils (other than the *London* County Council), &c., and Accounts of Pauper Lunatic Asylums.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Board of Agriculture (Distribution of Grants.)

Mr. *Herbert Gardner* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Distribution of Grants for Agricultural Education in *Great Britain* in the financial year 1894-95, with an Appendix.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Navy (Exception to Queen's Regulations.)

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of List of Exceptions to the Queen's Regulations as to Pay, Non-Effective Pay, and Allowances sanctioned by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, with the Approval of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, pursuant to Her Majesty's Order in Council, dated 19th December 1881, during the year 1894-95.

Naval Prizes Money. No. 331.

Sir *Ughtred Kay-Shuttleworth* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the Receipt and Expenditure of Naval Prize Bounty, Salvage, and other Moneys, between the 1st April 1894 and the 31st March 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Account relative to Naval Prize Money be printed.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising To-morrow, do adjourn until Monday next.—(Sir *William Harcourt*.)

Manchester Borough (East Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Manchester* (East Division), in the room of the Right Honourable *Arthur James Balfour*, who, since his Election for the said Borough of *Manchester* (East Division), hath accepted the Office of First Commissioner for executing the Offices of Treasurer of the Exchequer of *Great Britain* and Lord High Treasurer of *Ireland*.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

Birmingham Borough (West Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Birmingham* (West Division), in the room of the Right Honourable *Joseph Chamberlain*, who, since his Election for the said Borough of *Birmingham* (West Division), hath accepted the Office of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*.)

Bristol Borough (West Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bristol* (West Division), in the room of the Right Honourable

Honourable Sir *Michael Edward Hicks-Beach*, Baronet, who, since his Election for the said Borough of *Bristol* (West Division), hath accepted the Office of Chancellor and Under-Treasurer of the Exchequer.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas.*)

St. George's, Hanover Square, Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Saint George's, Hanover Square*, in the room of the Right Honourable *George Joachim Goschen*, who, since his Election for the said Borough of *Saint George's, Hanover Square*, hath accepted the Office of First Commissioner for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas.*)

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders. No. 332.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the Nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders. No. 333.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the Nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Order included in the Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill.

Mr. *Burt* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Local Taxation (England) Account, 1894-5. No. 334.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, in respect of the Financial Year ended the 31st day of March 1895 (1) the Total Amount of the Local Taxation Licences and Probate Duty Grant paid into the Local Taxation (*England*) Account, and the Amounts paid out of such Licences and Probate Duty Grant to, or on behalf of, the Council of each Administrative County or County Borough; (2) the Amounts paid out of the Proceeds of the Local Taxation (Customs and Excise) Duties to each Police Authority in aid of Police Pension Funds; and (3) the Amounts paid out of the Residue of the Proceeds of those Duties to the Council of each Administrative County and County Borough.

Sir *Walter Foster* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Committees.

Ordered, That, for the remainder of the Session, all Committees have leave to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House.—(Sir *William Harcourt.*)

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Sir *William Harcourt*):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock, adjourned accordingly until To-morrow.

Thursday, 27*th June*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Message from the Lords.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Seal Fisheries (*North Pacific*) Bill, without Amendment.

Court of Session Consignations (Scotland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Court of Session Consignations (*Scotland*) Bill, without Amendment.

Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Post Office Act (1891) Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

Phœnix Assurance Company Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Phœnix Assurance Company Bill, without Amendment.

Downing College Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Downing* College Bill, without Amendment.

Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to *Barnstaple* Gas, *Bognor* Gas, *Felixstowe* Gas, and *Kildwick* Parish Gas; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870, relating to *Llanberis* Gas and Water, *Newark* Gas, and *Rothwell* Gas; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Distress Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have disagreed to one of the Amendments made by this House to the Distress Bill, for which they assign their Reason, and have made an Amendment in lieu thereof, to which they desire the concurrence of this House; and have agreed to the other Amendment made by this House to the said Bill, without any Amendment.

Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 327.

The Gas Orders Confirmation Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 328.

The Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Lanarkshire and Dumbartonshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *James Stuart* reported from the Committee on the *Lanarkshire* and *Dumbartonshire* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Private Bills (Group C.) Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) [*Caerphilly* Order.]

Mr. *W. G. Mount* reported from the Committee on Group C of Private Bills, That the Parties promoting the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) [*Caerphilly* Order] Bill had stated that the evidence of *Thomas William Thomas*, M.R.C.S., of *Sunnyside, Caerphilly, Glamorgan*, was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *Thomas William Thomas* do attend the said Committee

Committee upon Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *Thomas William Thomas* do attend the said Committee upon Tuesday next, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Dublin United Tramways Bill.

Mr. *Roby* reported from the Committee on the *Dublin* United Tramways Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and had found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

That, in the case of the *Manchester*, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision, provided that it be proved to the satisfaction of the Committee on the Bill that the consent of the Shareholders of the Metropolitan Railway Company has been obtained at a meeting held in accordance with the requirements of Standing Order 64.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill.

Mr. *Hopwood* reported from the Select Committee on the Merchandise Marks (Files) Bill; That they have agreed to the following Special Report:—

(Special Report.)

Your Committee have taken evidence on the subject of the Bill referred to them, which they have agreed to report to the House. They are, however, of opinion that it is not desirable to proceed further with the Bill, and they have therefore agreed to report the same, without Amendment.

Mr. *Hopwood* further reported from the said Committee; That they had agreed to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

No. 335.

Ordered, That the Report and Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Belfast and Northern Counties Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

A Motion being made, That the *Belfast* and Northern Counties Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Greenock Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Greenock* Harbour Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Swansea Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Swansea* Harbour Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Kingstown and Kingsbridge Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas Dacres Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to the several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Tramways (*Ireland*) Act, 1895.
2. Court of Session Consignations (*Scotland*) Act, 1895.
3. Post Office Amendment Act, 1895.
4. Seal Fisheries (*North Pacific*) Act, 1895.
5. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Acton*) Act, 1895.
6. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Bristol*) Act, 1895.
7. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Croydon*) Act, 1895.
8. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Hornsey*) Act, 1895.
9. Education Department Provisional Orders Confirmation (*Leeds*) Act, 1895.
10. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Liverpool*) Act, 1895.
11. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Llangollen*) Act, 1895.
12. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Longbenton*) Act, 1895.
13. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Lowestoft*) Act, 1895.
14. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Manchester*) Act, 1895.
15. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Pwllheli*) Act, 1895.
16. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Weston-super-Mare*) Act, 1895.
17. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*Wilmington*) Act, 1895.
18. Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1895.
19. Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1895.
20. Metropolitan Police Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1895.
21. Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1895.
22. Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1895.
23. Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1895.
24. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1895.
25. *Poole* Harbour Act, 1895.
26. *Carrickfergus* Commissioners Act, 1895.

27. *Lynton* and *Barnstaple* Railway Act, 1895.
28. Phœnix Assurance Company's Act, 1895.
29. *Downing* College Act, 1895.

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Rhondda* and *Swansea Bay* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Liskeard and Looe Railway Extension Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Railway Extension Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

And Notice being taken, That the interest of the Prince of *Wales*, as Duke of *Cornwall*, is concerned therein;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Staffordshire Potteries Stipendiary Justice Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the *Staffordshire Potteries* Stipendiary Justice Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Central Ireland Railway Bill.

Ordered, That, in the case of the Central (*Ireland*) Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended print shall have been previously deposited.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill, Standing Order 236 be suspended, and that the Committee on the Bill have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Weaver Navigation Bill.

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Weaver* Navigation Bill, Standing Order 246 be suspended, and that the Lords' Amendments to the Bill be now taken into consideration.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Supplement to the Thirteenth Report.

Education (Science and Art Department) (Drawing in Elementary Schools.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of Illustrated Syllabus of the course of Instruction in Drawing under the Department of Science and Art, together with an alternative Syllabus and a Scheme of Instruction in Drawing for small Schools.

Technical Instruction Act, 1889.)

Mr. *A. H. Dyke Acland* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copies of Minutes by the Right Honourable the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on Education, under the Technical Instructions Act, 1889, sanctioning the Subjects to be taught under Clause 8 of the Act for the following Counties, Cities, &c.:—

County of *Warwick* (Fifth Minute), dated 22nd May 1895;
City of *Limerick*, dated 28th May 1895;
County of *Buckingham* (Fifth Minute), dated 31st May 1895;
County of East *Suffolk*, dated 31st May 1895;
County of *Southampton* (Sixth Minute) dated 12th June 1895;
County Borough of *Portsmouth*, dated 14th June 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Companies' Acts, 1862-90.

Mr. *Bryce* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Department Committee appointed by the President of the Board of Trade to inquire what Amendments are necessary in the Acts relating to Joint Stock Companies incorporated with Limited Liability, together with the Appendix thereto.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

South Africa.

Mr. *Sydney Buxton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to certain Native Territories situated to the North-east of *Zululand*.

Canadian Copyright.

Copy of Return of Amounts received from *Canada* since 1877 as Duties collected on Foreign Reprints of *British* Copyright Works.

South Africa.

Copy of Correspondence relating to the Recision of the Custom Duties Clause (No. 50) in the Agreement between the Government of *British Bechuanaland*, the *British South Africa* Company, and the *Bechuanaland* Railway Company, Limited (in continuation of [C. 7154], &c.

Canada.

Copy of Correspondence on the subject of the Law of Copyright in *Canada*.

Straits Settlements.

Copy of Further Correspondence relative to the Military Contribution (*Straits Settlements*) (in continuation of [C. 6290], March 1891.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

East India (Loans raised in India.) No. 336.

Mr. Secretary *Fowler* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of all Loans raised in *India* chargeable on the Revenues of *India*, outstanding at the commencement of the half-year ending on the 31st March 1895, with the Rates of Interest and Total Amount payable thereon, and the Date of the Termination of each Loan, the Debt incurred during

during the half-year, the Moneys raised thereby during the half-year, the Loans paid off or discharged during the half-year, and the Loans outstanding at the close of the half-year; stating, so far as the public convenience will allow, the purpose or service for which Moneys have been raised during the half-year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Queen's College (Galway.)

Mr. *John Morley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the President of Queen's College, *Galway*, for the Academic Session, 1894-95.

Intermediate Education (Ireland.)

Mr. *John Morley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rule made by the Intermediate Education Board for *Ireland*, dated 24th May 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Local Government Board (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Annual Report of the Local Government Board for *Scotland*, 1894-95.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues. No. 337.

Sir *John Hibbert* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—The Seventy third Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, dated 26th June 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Royal Patriotic Fund Committee.

The Order, made upon the 29th day of March last, That Five be the Quorum of the Royal Patriotic Fund Committee, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. *Woodall*.)

Mortgagees' Costs Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Mortgagees' Costs Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Distress Bill [*Lords*.]

Ordered, That the Reason assigned by the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by this House to the Distress Bill, together with the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Reason and Amendment into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth not insist on the Amendment to which the Lords have disagreed, and doth agree to the Amendment made by their Lordships in lieu thereof.—(Mr. *Haldane*.)

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House doth not insist on the Amendment to which the Lords have disagreed, and doth agree to the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill.

Retired Soldiers and Sailors Employment. No. 338.

Mr. *Brookfield* reported from the Select Committee on Retired Soldiers and Sailors Employment; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Land Securities Company Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported the Land Securities Company Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Oldham and Royton Canal Bill [*Lords*.] *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Oldham* and *Royton* Canal Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill [*Lords*.] *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the Great Western Railway (No. 1) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Accounts. (Third Report.) No. 339.

Sir *Richard Temple* reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Accounts. (Fourth Report.) No. 340.

Sir *Richard Temple* reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Earldom of Selborne.

The Lords request that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships a Copy of the Report, &c. of the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament on the Earldom of *Selborne*.

Ordered, That a Printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Sir *William Walrond*):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Three of the clock, adjourned accordingly till Monday next.

Monday, 1*st July*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Manchester, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Bill.

Rotherham Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which

which are applicable thereto have been complied wth, *viz.*:—

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.
Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill.
Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill.
Gas Orders Confirmation Bill.
Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill.
Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.
Water Orders Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with. *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Provisional Order Bills (No Standing Orders applicable.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, *viz.*:—

Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Barnsley Corporation (Water) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, — Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Thames and *Severn* Canal Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Bridlington and Quay Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Bridlington* and *Quay* Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Muirkirk, Mauchline, and Dalmellington, Railways Bill.

The *Muirkirk*, *Mauchline*, and *Dalmellington* Railways Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Land Securities Company Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the Land Securities Company Bill, Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

South Shields Corporation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *South Shields* Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sutton Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Sutton* Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Great Western Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the Great Western Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended Prints shall have been previously deposited—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of the Prince of *Wales*, as Duke of *Cornwall*, is concerned therein;

Mr. *Mellor*, by Command of His Royal Highness, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Royal Highness's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Lanarkshire and Dumbartonshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Lanarkshire* and *Dumbartonshire* Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended Prints shall have been previously deposited—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered,

Oldham and Royton Canal Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Oldham* and *Royton* Canal Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration provided amended Prints shall have been previously deposited—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Birmingham, North Warwickshire, and Stratford-upon-Avon Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Birmingham*, North *Warwickshire* and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Bill to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Bristol Extension Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Bristol* Extension Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 82, 211, 236, and 237 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Bill to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Chesterfield* Gas and Water Board Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 82, 211, 236, and 237, be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Bill to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Stroud and Painswick (Light) Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Stroud* and *Painswick* (Light) Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Chelsea Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Chelsea* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant July.

East London Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the East *London* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant July.

Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Grand Junction Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant July.

Kent Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Kent* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant July.

New River Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *New River* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant July.

West Middlesex Water (Transfer) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the West *Middlesex* Water (Transfer) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant July.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Supplement to the Thirteenth Report.

Army, 1895-96 (Vote on Account.) No. 342.

Mr. *Brodrick* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the Sum required to be voted on Account for Army Services for the year ending 31st March 1896.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895-96 (Vote on Account). No. 341.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimate for Civil Services and Revenue Departments, showing the several Services for which a Third Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1896.

Navy, 1895-96 (Vote on Account. No. 343.

Estimate showing the several Naval Services for which a Vote on Account is required for the year ending 31st March 1896.

Irish Land Commission (Proceedings.)

Copy of Return of Proceedings of the *Irish* Land Commission under "The Land Law (*Ireland*) Acts, 1881 and 1887," "The Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts, 1883-1891," and "The Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Acts 1885, 1888, and 1891;" and "The Redemption of Rent (*Ireland*) Act, 1891," during the Month of March 1895.

Congested Districts Board (Ireland.)

Copy of Fourth Report of the Congested Districts Boards for *Ireland*, for the period from 1st April 1894 to 31st March 1895.

Fishery Board (Scotland.)

Copy of the Thirteenth Annual Report of the Fishery Board for *Scotland*, for the year 1894. Part II. Report on Salmon Fisheries.

Drunkenness and Licensed Houses (England and Wales.)

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 1st day of March last, for Returns relative to Drunkenness and Licensed Houses (*England* and *Wales*).

British Museum.

Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of April last, for a Return relative to the *British* Museum.

Post Office Employees.

Return to an Order, dated the 31st day of May last, for a Return relative to Post Office Employees.

Suez Canal (Purchase of Shares.)

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts showing the Sums received from the Khedive of *Egypt*; the Charge for Principal and Interest on the Money raised in respect of the Purchase of the Shares in the *Suez Canal*; and the Amount of Principal still outstanding on 31st March 1895.

Finance Accounts.

Finance Accounts of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the Financial Year 1894-95, ended 31st March 1895.

Civil List Pensions.

Copy of List of all Pensions granted during the year ended 20th June 1895, and charged upon the Civil List.

Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1885 (Kilmeaque School and Perceval Endowment.)

Copy of Scheme for the Management of the *Kilmeaque* School and *Perceval* Endowment, under the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Act, 1885.

Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1885 (Viscount Limerick's Endowment, Dundalk.)

Copy of Scheme for the Management of the Viscount *Limerick's* Endowment (*Dundalk*), under the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Act, 1885.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; and that the other Papers do lie upon the Table.

Post Office (Holyhead and Kingstown Mail Contract.) No. 344.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Contract, dated the 1st day of July 1895, entered into with the City of *Dublin* Steam Packet Company for the Conveyance of Mails

Mails between *Holyhead* and *Kingstown*, and of Treasury Minute thereon.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Post Office (West India Mail Contract.) No. 345.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Contract, dated the 24th day of May 1895, entered into with the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company for the Performance of the *West India* Mail Service, and of Treasury Minute thereon.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Dunhill v. North Eastern Railway Company.

A Petition of *William Henry Carter Dunhill*, of 11, *King's Bench Walk, Temple*, in the City of *London*, Barrister-at-Law, was presented, and read; setting forth that an Action is pending in the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice, *Strand, London*, before Mr. Justice *Kekewich*, between the Petitioner, Plaintiff, and the North Eastern Railway Company, Defendants; and that it will be necessary, on behalf of the said Plaintiff, to produce before the said Court, on the trial of the said Action, the Plans in relation to the North Eastern Railway Company's (*Hull* and *Doncaster* Branch) Act, 1863; and praying that leave may be given to the proper Officer of the House to attend at the said Court, and produce the said Plans and other Documents so deposited, and to give such further evidence as may be necessary to further the ends of justice.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officer to attend accordingly.

Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *James Stuart* reported from the Committee on the *Bute* Docks, *Cardiff*, Bill; That, in accordance with the Resolution of the House of the 18th June, the Committee had struck out Clause 23 from the Bill.

Mr. *James Stuart* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by striking out the recital as to the making of a Railway, and had otherwise amended the same so as to make it consistent with the provisions of the Bill as submitted to and passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Taff Vale Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *James Stuart* reported the *Taff Vale* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Wirral Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *James Stuart* reported the *Wirral* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 6.)

Mr. *James Stuart* reported from the Committee on Group 6 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, at the meeting of the Committee this day, a Letter was received from Mr. *P. M. Thornton*, one of the Members of the Committee, stating that he was unable, on account of illness, to attend the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported the North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Weights and Measures. No. 346.

Sir *Henry Roscoe* reported from the Select Committee on Weights and Measures; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Royal Patriotic Fund [Inquiry not completed.] No. 347.

Mr. *Woodall* reported from the Select Committee on the Royal Patriotic Fund; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them to the House; together with an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *W. G. Mount* reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Accounts (Fifth Report.) No. 348.

Sir *Richard Temple* reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had made further progress in the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trade, &c. Factories and Workshops Bill. No. 349. Bill 329.

Mr. *Stuart-Wortley* reported from the Standing Committee on Trade (including Agriculture and Fishing), Shipping, and Manufactures, to whom the Factories and Workshops Bill was referred; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed.

Telephone Service [Inquiry not completed.] No. 350.

Mr. *Arnold Morley* reported from the Select Committee on Telephone Service; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and that they had agreed to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix, to the House, and to recommend that a Committee on the same subject be appointed in the next Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Middlesex (Ealing Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of

of *Middlesex* (*Ealing* Division), in the room of the Right Honourable *George Francis Hamilton*, commonly called Lord *George Hamilton*, who, since his election for the said County of *Middlesex* (*Ealing* Division), hath accepted the Office of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State. —(Mr. *Akers-Douglas.*)

Lancashire, North (Blackpool Division) Writ

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in the present Parliament for the County of *Lancashire*, North (*Blackpool* Division), in the room of the Right Honourable Sir *Matthew White Ridley*, Baronet, who, since his election for the said County of *Lancashire*, North (*Blackpool*) District, hath accepted the Office of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.— —(Mr. *Akers-Douglas.*)

Lincoln (North Kestevin or Sleaford Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Lincolnshire* (North *Kestevin* or *Sleaford* Division) in the room of the Right Honourable *Henry Chaplin*, who, since his election for the said County of *Lincolnshire* (*Sleaford* Division) hath accepted the Office of President of the Local Government Board.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas*)

Croydon Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member, to serve in this present Parliament, for the Borough of *Croydon*, in the room of the Right honourable *Charles Thomson Ritchie*, who, since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of President of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations.—(Mr. *Akers-Douglas.*)

Public Petitions (Thirteenth Report.)

Sir *Charles Dalrymple* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st and 24th days of June last, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Volunteers (Military Service) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Volunteers (Military Service) Bill, without Amendment.

Out-door Relief (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Out-door Relief (*Ireland*) Bill, without Amendment.

Commons Regulation (Bexhill) Provisional Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Commons Regulation (*Bexhill*) Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Commons Regulation (Halifax) Provisional Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Commons Regulation (*Halifax*) Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Inclosure (Castor and Ailsworth) Provisional Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Inclosure (*Castor* and *Ailsworth*) Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 5) Bill, without Amendment.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (No. 3) Bill, without Amendment.

Inclosure (Upton Saint Leonards) Provisional Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Inclosure (*Upton Saint Leonards*) Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Housing of Working Classes) Bill, without Amendment.

Liskeard and Looe Railway Extension Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Railway Extension Bill, without Amendment.

Rhondda and Swansea Bay Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Rhondda* and *Swansea Bay* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Swansea Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Swansea* Harbour Bill, without Amendment.

Midland Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Midland Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* and North Western Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Brighouse Corporation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Brighouse* Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London County Council (Vauxhall Bridge) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* County Council (*Vauxhall* Bridge) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Judicial Committee Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law relating to the Judicial Committee of Her Majesty's Privy Council; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Dewsbury and Heckmondwike Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for empowering the *Dewsbury* and *Heckmondwike* Waterworks Board to construct additional Waterworks, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Leeds Corporation Tramways Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Leeds* to construct additional Tramways, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Tottenham) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Tottenham* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Dewsbury and Heckmondwike Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Dewsbury* and *Heckmondwike* Water Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Leeds Corporation Tramways Bill [*Lords.*]

The *Leeds* Corporation Tramways Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Tottenham) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 330.

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Tottenham*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Life Assurance Companies (Payment into Court) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 331.

The Life Assurance Companies (Payment into Court) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Court of Criminal Appeal Bill [Inquiry not completed.]

Sir *Henry James* reported from the Select Committee on the Court of Criminal Appeal Bill; That they had agreed to the following Report:

Your Committee have not had sufficient time to conclude their investigation of the Bill to them referred. They have therefore agreed to report the same, without Amendment, to the House, and to recommend that a Committee upon the same subject should be appointed in the next Session of Parliament.

No. 351. *Ordered*, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ground Game Act (1880) Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Ground Game Act (1880) Amendment Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Crofters' Holdings (Scotland) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Crofters' Holdings (*Scotland*) Act (1886) Amendment (No. 2) Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before Four of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 2nd July 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Bute Docks Cardiff Bill [*Lords.*]

ORDERED, That, in the case of the *Bute* Docks, *Cardiff*, Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Then the Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments, to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Taff Vale Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Taff Vale* Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Wirral Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Wirral* Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints have been deposited:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Then the Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill [Salford Order.]

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill, 1891 [Borough of *Salford* Order], and the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Swinton* and *Pendlebury* Local Board Bill, 1892, be referred to the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill [*Salford* Order].—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Private Bills.

Ordered, That, in case the Committee on any Private Bill, or Group of such Bills, shall report their opinion to the House that any Bill or Bills not yet considered by them should not be entered upon, or that the consideration of any Bill already partly considered should not be proceeded with, all further proceedings upon such Bills shall be suspended during the present Session.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Private Bills.

Standing Orders for the Suspension of Private Bills, or Bills to confirm any Provisional Order or Certificate.

1. *Ordered*, That the Promoters of every Private Bill which shall have been introduced into this House, or brought from the House of Lords in the present Session of Parliament, shall have leave to suspend any further proceeding thereupon, in order to proceed with the same Bill in the next Session of Parliament.

2. *Ordered*, That the Promoters of every such Bill shall give notice in the Private Bill Office, not later than the day prior to the close of the present Session, of their intention to suspend any further proceedings thereon; or, in the case of Bills which shall have been suspended on the Report of a Committee, or which, having passed this House, shall then be pending in the House of Lords, of their intention to proceed with the same Bill in this House in the next Session.

3. *Ordered*, That an Alphabetical List of all such

such Bills, with a statement of the stage at which the same was suspended, shall be prepared by the Private Bill Office, and printed.

4. *Ordered*, That, not later than three clear days after the next meeting of Parliament, every Bill which has been introduced into this House shall be deposited in the Private Bill Office, in the form required by Standing Order No. 201, with a declaration signed by the Agent annexed thereto, stating that the Bill is the same, in every respect, as the Bill with respect to which proceedings have been so suspended, at the last stage of its proceeding in the House in the present Session; and, where any sum of money has been deposited, that such deposit has not been withdrawn, together with a certificate of that fact from the proper officer of the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice in *England* or *Ireland*, or the Court of Exchequer in *Scotland*, as the case may be.

5. *Ordered*, That such Bills, indorsed by one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, as having been duly deposited with such declarations and certificates annexed, be laid by one of the Clerks of that Office upon the Table of the House, in the next Session of Parliament, in the order in which they shall stand upon such List.

6. *Ordered*, That in respect of every Bill so laid upon the Table, the Petition for the Bill and the Order for leave to bring in the same in the present Session shall be read, and thereupon such Bill shall be read a first time; and a second time (if the Bill shall have been read a second time previously to its being suspended); and if such Bill shall have been reported by any Committee in the present Session, the Order for referring the Bill to a Committee shall be dispensed with, and the Bill ordered to lie upon the Table or to be read a third time, as the case may be.

7. *Ordered*, That in case any Bill brought from the House of Lords in the present Session, upon which the proceedings shall have been suspended in this House, shall be brought from the House of Lords in the next Session of Parliament, the Agent for such Bill shall deposit in the Private Bill Office, prior to the First Reading thereof, a declaration stating that the Bill is the same in every respect, as the Bill which was brought from the House of Lords in the present Session; and where any Sum of Money has been deposited, that such deposit has not been withdrawn, together with a certificate of that fact from the proper officer; and so soon as one of the Clerks in the Private Bill Office has certified that such deposit has been duly made, the Bill shall be read a first time, and be further proceeded with in the same manner as Bills introduced into this House during the present Session.

8. *Ordered*, That all Petitions presented in the present Session against Private Bills, or against any Bill to confirm any Provisional Order or Certificate, and which stood referred to the Committees on such Bills, shall stand referred to the Committees on the same Bills, in the next Session of Parliament; and that all Notices and grounds of objection to the right of Petitioners to be heard given in the present Session within the time prescribed by the Rules of the Referees relating to such Notices shall be held applicable in the next Session of Parliament.

9. *Ordered*, That no Petitioners shall be heard before the Committee on such Bills, unless their Petition shall have been presented within the time limited in the present Session.

10. *Ordered*, That in case the time limited for presenting Petitions against any such Bills shall not have expired at the close of the present Session, Petitioners may be heard before the Committee on such Bill, provided their Petition be presented previous to, or not later than, seven clear days after the next meeting of Parliament.

11. *Ordered*, That all Instructions to Committees on Private Bills in the present Session which shall be suspended previously to their being reported by any Committee, be Instructions to the Committees on the same Bills in the next Session.

12. *Ordered*, That no new Fees be charged in respect of any stage of a Bill upon which Fees have already been incurred during the present Session.

13. *Ordered*, That all Standing Orders complied with in respect of any Public Bill introduced, or intended to be introduced, during the present Session, shall be held applicable to any Bill for the same objects introduced in the next Session, and where the Examiner has already reported upon the compliance with the Standing Orders in respect of any such Bill, he shall only Report in the next Session whether any further Standing Orders are applicable.

14. *Ordered*, That Bills to confirm any Provisional Order or Certificate introduced into this House, or brought from the House of Lords, in the present Session, shall be suspended from the close of the present Session, in order to be proceeded with in the next Session of Parliament.

15. *Ordered*, That with regard to any such Bills the Order of Leave in the present Session shall be read, and thereupon the Bill shall be read a first time and a second time (if the Bill shall have been read a second time during the present Session); and if such Bill shall have been reported by any Committee in the present Session, the Order for referring the Bill to a Committee shall be dispensed with, and the Bill ordered to lie upon the Table, or to be read a third time, as the case may be.

16. *Ordered*, That all applications made, and Certificates given, and all other proceedings taken with reference to any Bill introduced, or intended to be introduced in the present Session for confirming any Provisional Order in respect to the Inclosure of Commons, under the Commons Act, 1876, shall be deemed to apply to any Bill introduced for the same object in the next Session.

17. *Ordered*, That the said Orders be Standing Orders of this House, and be printed.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Private Bills.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 220 and 246, relating to Private Bills, be suspended for the remainder of the Session.

Ordered, That as regards Private Bills already returned by the House of Lords, with Amendments, such Amendments be now considered.

Ordered, That, as regards Private Bills to be returned by the House of Lords, with Amendments, such Amendments to be considered forthwith.

Ordered, That, when it is intended to propose any Amendments thereto, a Copy of such Amendments shall be deposited in the Private Bill Office, and notice given on the day on which the Bill shall have been returned from the Lords. —(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Brighouse Corporation Bill.

The House accordingly proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Brighouse* Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the

the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London and North Western Railway Bill.

The House accordingly proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London* and North Western Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

The House accordingly proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London* County Council (General Powers) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London County Council (Vauxhall Bridge) Bill.

The House accordingly proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London* County Council (*Vauxhall* Bridge) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Midland Railway Bill.

The House accordingly proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Midland Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords.*]

The Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords.*]

The Gas Orders Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

The Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords.*]

The Water Orders Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Supplement to the Thirteenth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Drunkenness and Licensed Houses (*England* and *Wales*), which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant July, be printed. **Drunkenness and Licensed Houses (England and Wales.)** No. 352.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *British* Museum, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant July, be printed. **British Museum.** No. 353.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Post Office Employees, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant July, be printed. **Post Office Employees.** No. 354.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the *Suez Canal* (Purchase of Shares), which were presented upon the 1st day of this instant July, be printed. **Suez Canal (Purchase of Shares.)** No. 355.

Ordered, That the Finance Accounts, which were presented upon the 1st day of this instant July, be printed. **Finance Accounts.** No. 356.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Civil List Pensions, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant July, be printed. **Civil List Pensions.** No. 357.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Act, 1885 (*Kilmeaque* School and *Perceval* Endowment), which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant July, be printed. **Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, (1885) (Kilmeaque School and Perceval Endowment.)** No. 358.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Act, 1885 (Viscount *Limerick's* Endowment, *Dundalk*), which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant July, be printed. **Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1885 (Viscount Limerick's Endowment, Dundalk.)** No. 359.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-seventh Report of the Board of Superintendence of *Dublin* Hospitals, with Appendices. **Dublin Hospitals.**

Copy of Report of the Inspectors of *Irish* Fisheries on the Sea and Inland Fisheries of *Ireland* for 1894. **Fisheries (Ireland.)**

Copy of Return under Section 7 of the Land Law (*Ireland*) Act, 1887, of the Number of Eviction Notices filed in the High Court of Justice and County Courts in *Ireland* during the Quarter ended the 30th June 1895. **Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887 (Eviction Notices.)**

Copy of Returns of Local Taxation in *Ireland* for the year 1894, collected and compiled under the direction of the Local Government Board, by desire of his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*. **Local Taxation (Ireland) Returns.**

Copy of the Sixty-first Report of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland* (being for the year 1894). **National Education (Ireland.)**

Copy of Return as to the Capital, Traffic Receipts, and Working Expenditure, &c. of the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom, for the year 1894. **Railway Returns.**

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of February last, for Returns relative to *Irish* Poor Law Expenditure. **Irish Poor Law Expenditure.**

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Patrick Yeaman* and *Moncreiffe* Foundations in *Saint Mary's* College (Ordinance, No. 145, *Saint Andrew's*, No. 21). **Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 145.)** No. 360.

Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations for *Glendee* and *Maxwell* Foundations (Ordinance, No. 146, *Saint Andrew's*, No. 22). **Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 146.)** No. 361.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Universities

versities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinances, No. 145 and 146), be printed.

Lunacy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Rules made by the Commissioners in Lunacy, with the approval of the Lord Chancellor, dated the 26th day of June 1895.

Thomas Weir (Inquiry as to Cause of Death.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Report and Inquiry ordered by the Secretary of State for the Home Department into the Causes of the Death of a Patient named *Thomas Weir*, at *Saint Ann's Heath, Virginia Water*, held by Mr. *Gully*, Q.C., assisted by Dr. *George H. Savage*.—(Sir *Seymour King*.)

Charity Commission (Halifax Endowments.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return comprising (1) the Report made to the Charity Commissioners in the result of an Inquiry held in the ancient Parish of *Halifax* (including the County Borough of *Halifax*) into Endowments, subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1894, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that Parish or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for Inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners in the Parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Report.—(Mr. *Francis Stevenson*.)

Charity Commission (County Merioneth Endowments.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return comprising (1) the Reports made by the Charity Commissioners, in the result of an Inquiry held in every Parish, wholly or partly within the County of *Merioneth* into Endowments, subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1894, and appropriated, in whole or in part, for the benefit of that County, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for Inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing, in the case of each such Parish, whether any, and if any, what, such Endowments are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners in the Parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Reports.—(Mr. *Francis Stevenson*.)

Business of the House (Days occupied by Government and by Private Members.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, with reference to Session 1895, (1) the Number of Sittings on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at which Government Business had precedence; (2) the Number of Sittings on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at which Private Members had precedence; (3) the Number of other Sittings at which, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House, Government Business had precedence; (4) the Number of Sittings at which Government Business had precedence under a Special Order of the House; (5) the Number of Saturday Sittings; (6) the Total Number of Sittings at which Government Business had precedence; (7) the Total Number of Days on which the House sat; (8) the Total Number of Motions for Adjournment of the House on a matter of urgent public importance; and (9) the Number of Days in Supply (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 276, of Session 1894).—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Select Committees.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Select Committees appointed in the Session of 1895, including the Standing Committees and the Court of Referees; the Subjects of Inquiry; the Names of the Members appointed to serve on each, and the Chairman of each; the Number of Days each Committee met, and the Number of Days each Member attended; the Total Expense of the Attendance of Witnesses at each Select Committee, and the Name of the Member who moved for such Select Committee; also, the Total Number of Members who served on Select Committees (in the same Form as, and in continuation of, Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.185, of Session 1894.)—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 25.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return respecting Application of Standing Order No. 25 (Closure of Debate) during Session 1895 (in the same Form as, and in continuation of, Parliamentary Paper, No. 275, of Session 1894.)—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Public Bills.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of the Bills, distinguishing Government from other Bills, introduced into this House, or brought from the House of Lords, during the Session of 1895; showing the Number which received the Royal Assent; the Number which were passed by this House but not by the House of Lords; the Number passed by the House of Lords but not by this House; and distinguishing the Stages at which such Bills as did not receive the Royal Assent were dropped or postponed, and rejected in either House of Parliament (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.186, of Session 1894.)—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Public Petitions.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Public Petitions presented and printed in the Session of 1895; with the Total Number of Signatures in that year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.184, of Session 1894.)—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 17.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Motions for Adjournment under Standing Order No. 17, showing the Date of such Motion, the Name of the Member proposing the definite matter of urgent public importance, and the result of any Division taken thereon in the Session 1895 (in the same Form as, and in continuation of, Parliamentary Paper, No. 274, of Session 1894.)—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Divisions of the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Divisions of the House in the Session of 1895; stating the subject of the Division, and the Number of Members in the Majority and Minority, Tellers included; also the aggregate Number in the House on each Division; distinguishing the Divisions on Public Business from Private; and also the Number of Divisions before and after Midnight (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.183, of Session 1894.)—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Private Bills.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Private Bills introduced and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed in the Session of 1895, classed according to the following Subjects:—Railways; Tramways; Tramroads; Subways; Canals and Navigations; Roads and Bridges; Water; Gas, Gas and Water; Improvement; Police and Sanitary Regulations; Corporations, &c.

&c. (not relating to Police and Sanitary Regulations or to Lighting, and Improvement Schemes); Ports, Piers, Harbours, and Docks; Churches, Chapels, and Burying Grounds; Inclosure and Drainage: Estate; Divorce; and Miscellaneous:——Of all the Private Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, which in the Session of 1895, have been treated as Opposed Bills; specifying those which have been classified in Groups by the Committee of Selection, or by the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills; together with the Names of the Selected Members who served on each Committee; the first and also the last Day of the Sitting of each Committee; the Number of Days on which each Committee sat; the Number of Days on which each Selected Member has served; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been proved; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved; and in the case of Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, whether the Provisional Orders ought or ought not to be confirmed; the Bills referred back to the Committee of Selection, or to the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills, as having become unopposed, and the Bills withdrawn, or not proceeded with by the Parties:——And, of all Private Bills which in the Session of 1895, have been referred by the Committee of Selection, or by the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills, to the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, together with the Names of the Members who served on each Committee, the Number of Days on which each Committee sat, and the Number of Days on which each Member attended (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.188, of Session 1894).—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Sittings of the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Days on which the House sat in the Session of 1895, stating, for each Day the Date of the Month, and Day of the Week, the Hour of the Meeting, and the Hour of Adjournment, and the Total Number of Hours occupied in the Sittings of the House, and the average Time, and showing the Number of Hours on which the House sat each Day, and the Number of Hours after Midnight, and the Number of Entries in each Day's Votes and Proceedings (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.187, of Session 1894).—(Dr. *Farquharson*.)

Government Property in the Provinces (Contributions in lieu of Local Rates.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) the Name of each Union, Parish, County, or Municipal Borough in which the Government occupies Property; (2) the Extent and Character of such Property; (3) the Valuation put upon such Property for Local Rating; (4) the Amount of Contribution paid to each Parish, County, or Municipal Borough in the last Financial Year; and (5) Special Acts of Parliament, if any, applicable to the Case:—

England and *Wales*.

Union.	Parish.	Extent and Character of the Government Property.		Valuation (Rateable Value) put upon the Government Property for Local Rating.	Total Valuation (Rateable Value) of each Parish.	Amount of Contribution paid to the Parish for the year ended 31st day of March 1895.	Special Acts of Parliament (if any) applicable to the Case.
		Extent.	Character.				

Scotland.

County.	Parish or Burgh.	Extent and Character of the Government Property.		Valuation put upon the Government Property for Local Rating.	Total Valuation (Rateable Value) of each Parish or Burgh.	Amount of Contribution paid to the Parish or Burgh in the year ended 31st day of March 1895.	Special Acts of Parliament (if any) applicable to the Case.
		Extent.	Character.				

Ireland.

County, or Municipal Borough.	Union.	Electoral Division.	Extent and Character of the Government Property.		Valuation put upon the Government Property for Local Rating.	Total Valuation (Rateable Value) of each Electoral Division.	Amount of Contribution paid to the County or Borough in the year ended 31st day of March 1895.	Special Acts of Parliament (if any) applicable to the Case.
			Extent.	Character.				

—(Sir *Albert Rollit*.)

Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Intoxicating Liquors Local Veto (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time; and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr.

Birmingham, North Warwickshire, and Stratford-upon-Avon Railway Bill [*Lords.*]
Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Birmingham*, North *Warwickshire*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill [*Lords.*]
Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mellor* reported the *Chesterfield* Gas and Water Board Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stationery Office (Printing Contracts) [Inquiry not completed.]
No. 362.

Sir *John Hibbert* reported from the Select Committee on the Stationery Office (Printing Contracts); That they had met to consider the matters to them referred, but seeing that it is not possible for them to commence the Inquiry at this period of the Session, they recommend that the Ten years existing Contracts be not renewed till the Committee report; and that the Committee be re-appointed next Parliament with fuller powers to continue the Inquiry.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Food Products Adulteration [Inquiry not completed.]
No. 363.

Sir *Walter Foster* reported from the Select Committee on Food Products Adulteration; That they had taken further evidence upon the matters referred to them, but have not had sufficient time to conclude their investigation; they have therefore agreed to report the Evidence already taken to the House, and to recommend that a Committee on the same subject should be appointed in the next Parliament.

Sir *Walter Foster* further reported that the Committee desire to express their obligation to Mr. *Edmund Gosse*, Translator to the Board of Trade, for his assistance in having made a translation and *précis* of the Laws in Foreign Countries relating to the Adulteration of Food Products.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mount* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the same, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Land Transfer Bill [*Lords*]
No. 364.

Mr. Attorney General reported from the Select Committee on the Land Transfer Bill; That they had agreed to the following Report, which they had directed him to make to the House:—

Your Committee are of opinion that, in view of the impending Dissolution of Parliament, it is not possible to complete the Evidence which bears upon the Bill referred to them. They therefore consider that it is not desirable to proceed further during the present Session, and they have agreed to report the Evidence to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Barnsley Corporation (Water) Bill [*Lords.*]

1. That, in the case of the *Barnsley* Corporation (Water) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Thames and Severn Canal Bill [*Lords.*]

2. That, in the case of the *Thames* and *Severn* Canal Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *W. G. Mount* reported from the Committee on the Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Distress from Want of Employment (Third Report) [Inquiry not completed.]
No. 365.

Sir *Henry Campbell-Bannerman* reported from the Select Committee on Distress from Want of Employment; That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Extradition Bill [*Lords.*]
Bill 334.

The Extradition Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Group D. (Private Bills.)

Mr. *Alan de Tatton Egerton* reported from the Committee on Group D. of Private Bills; That the Parties opposing the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill had stated that the Evidence of *Frank Scudder*, of 44, *Moseley Street*, *Manchester*, was essential to their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move that the said *Frank Scudder* do attend the said Committee on Group D. To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That *Frank Scudder* do attend the Committee on Group D. of Private Bills To-morrow, at half-past Eleven of the clock.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895-96 (Third Vote on Account).

1. *Resolved*, That a further Sum, not exceeding £. 3,525,100, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, *viz.*:—

Civil Services.

CLASS I.	£.
Surveys of the United Kingdom - -	20,000
Harbours, &c. under Board of Trade, and Lighthouses Abroad - - - -	—
Peterhead Harbour - - - - -	1,000
Rates on Government Property - -	32,000
Public Works and Buildings, *Ireland* - -	10,000
Railways, *Ireland* - - - - -	15,000

CLASS II.

United Kingdom and *England* :—	£.
House of Lords, Offices	6,000
House of Commons, Offices	7,000
Treasury and Subordinate Departments	10,000
Home Office and Subordinate Departments	10,000
Foreign Office	7,000
Colonial Office	5,000
Privy Council Office and Subordinate Departments	1,000
Board of Trade and Subordinate Departments	20,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid	15,000
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade	—
Board of Agriculture	—
Charity Commission	6,000
Civil Service Commission	4,000
Exchequer and Audit Department	4,000
Friendly Societies, Registry	700
Local Government Board	20,000
Lunacy Commission	500
Mint (including Coinage)	—
National Debt Office	2,000
Public Record Office	2,000
Public Works Loan Commission	1,000
Registrar General's Office	3,000
Stationery Office and Printing	80,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of	2,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of	7,000
Secret Service	—
Scotland :—	
Secretary for *Scotland*	1,000
Fishery Board	4,000
Lunacy Commission	500
Registrar General's Office	500
Local Government Board for *Scotland*	2,000
Ireland :—	
Lord Lieutenant's Household	500
Chief Secretary and Subordinate Departments	3,000
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office	200
Local Government Board	25,000
Public Record Office	500
Public Works Office	3,000
Registrar General's Office	2,000
Valuation and Boundary Survey	—

CLASS III.

United Kingdom and *England* :—	
Law Charges	18,000
Miscellaneous Legal Expenses	4,000
Supreme Court of Judicature	30,000
Land Registry	1,000
County Courts	1,000
Police Courts (*London* and *Sheerness*)	500
Police, *England* and *Wales*	4,000
Prisons, *England* and the Colonies	60,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, *Great Britain*	10,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum	4,000
Scotland :—	
Law Charges and Courts of Law	10,000
Register House, *Edinburgh*	3,000
Crofters' Commission	500
Prisons, *Scotland*	10,000
Ireland :—	
Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions	6,000
Supreme Court of Judicature and other Legal Departments	12,000
Land Commission	8,000
County Court Officers, &c.	16,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police, &c.	8,000
Constabulary	150,000
Prisons, *Ireland*	10,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools	—
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum	500

CLASS IV.

United Kingdom and *England* :—	
Public Education, *England* and *Wales*	700,000
Science and Art Department, United Kingdom	100,000
British Museum	10,000
National Gallery	2,000
National Portrait Gallery	500
Scientific Investigations, &c., United Kingdom	—
Universities and Colleges (*Great Britain*) and Intermediate Education (*Wales*)	4,000
London University	—
Scotland :—	£.
Public Education	60,000
National Gallery	500
Ireland :—	
Public Education	50,000
Endowed Schools Commissioners	—
National Gallery	400
Queen's Colleges	500

CLASS V.

Diplomatic Services and Consular Services	20,000
British Protectorates in *Uganda* and *Central Africa*	10,000
Colonial Services, including *South Africa*	20,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid	34,000
Slave Trade Services	500
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies, &c.	6,000

CLASS VI.

	£.
Superannuation and Retired Allowances	10,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund Pensions, &c.	—
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency	—
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, *Great Britain*	300
Pauper Lunatics, *Ireland*	—
Hospitals and Charities, *Ireland*	2,000

CLASS VII.

Temporary Commissions	5,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	500
Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*	5,000
Repayments to the Local Loans Fund	—
Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund	—
Relief of Distress (*Ireland*)	4,000
Total for Civil Services	£. 1,745,100

Revenue Departments.

Customs	130,000
Inland Revenue	300,000
Post Office	1,000,000
Post Office Packet Service	—
Post Office Telegraphs	350,000
Total for Revenue Departments	£. 1,780,000
Grand Total	£. 3,525,100

Navy Services (Vote on Account).

2. *Resolved*, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Navy Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, *viz.* :—

Effective Services :—	£.
Victualling and Clothing for the Navy	100,000
Medical Establishments and Services	20,000
Martial Law	1,000
Educational Services	5,000
Scientific Services	4,000
Royal Naval Reserves	20,000
Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c. :	
Section I. Personnel	100,000
Section II. Materiel	250,000
Naval Armaments	150,000
Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad	50,000
Miscellaneous Effective Services	50,000
Admiralty Office	20,000
Total Effective Services	£. 770,000
Non-Effective Services :—	
Half-Pay, Reserved, and Retired Pay	50,000
Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances	100,000
Civil Pensions and Gratuities	30,000
Total Non-Effective Services	£. 180,000
Additional Naval Force for Service in *Australasian* Waters—Annuity payable under	50,000
Total	£. 1,000,000

Army

Army Services (Vote on Account).

3. *Resolved*, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Army Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, *viz.*:—

Effective Services:—	£.
Medical Establishments: Pay, &c.	100,000
Militia: Pay and Allowances	200,000
Yeomanry Cavalry: Pay and Allowances	30,000
Volunteer Corps: Pay and Allowances	270,000
Transport and Remounts	210,000
Provisions, Forage, and other Supplies	900,000
Clothing Establishments and Services	280,000
Warlike and other Stores: Supply and Repair	550,000
Works, Buildings, and Repairs: Cost, including Superintending Establishment	320,000
Military Educational Establishments: Pay and Miscellaneous Charges	40,000
Miscellaneous Effective Services	20,000
War Office: Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges	80,000
Total Effective Services	£. 3,000,000
Non-Effective Services:	
Non-Effective Charges for Officers, &c.	500,000
Non-Effective Charges for Men, &c.	450,000
Superannuation, Compensation, and Compassionate Allowances	50,000
Total Non-Effective Services	£. 1,000,000
Total Effective and Non-Effective Services	£. 4,000,000

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, the Sum of £. 14,534,875 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Mellor* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Naval Works Bill.

The Naval Works Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) [Salary, &c.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Salary of the Scientific Superintendent and of the personal and travelling expenses of the Members of the Fishery Board, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session for the better Regulation of *Scottish* Sea Fisheries—(Mr. *Balfour*);

Mr. *Balfour*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Factories and Workshops Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Isle of Man (Customs.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law respecting the Customs Duties in the *Isle of Man*: And that Mr. *Hanbury* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Isle of Man (Customs) Bill. Bill 332.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law respecting the Customs Duties in the *Isle of Man*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Great Northern and City Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, without Amendment.

Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Bill, without Amendment.

Lanarkshire and Dumbartonshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Lanarkshire* and *Dumbartonshire* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Sutton Harbour Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Sutton* Harbour Bill, without Amendment.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Cranbrook District Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Cranbrook* District Water Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Friendly Societies Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Friendly Societies Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Tenterden Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Tenterden* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Aberdeen Harbour Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Aberdeen* Harbour Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

West Highland Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the West Highland Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Derry City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Derry* City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* and South Western Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London County Council (Money) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* County Council (Money) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

North Eastern Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the North Eastern Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Colonial Boundaries Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide in certain Cases for the Alteration of the Boundaries of Colonies; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to a portion of the Parish of *Kensington Saint Mary Abbotts*, and to the *Saint Olave* and *Strand* Districts, in the County of *London*: to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *London* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

National Mutual Life Assurance Society Bill [*Lords*]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the National Life Assurance Society and the Mutual Life Assurance Society to amalgamate, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Friendly Societies Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Friendly Societies Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Market Gardeners' Compensation Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendment into consideration; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Colonial Boundaries Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 333.

The Colonial Boundaries Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 335.

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 336.

The Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*London*) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

National Mutual Life Assurance Society Bill [*Lords.*]

The National Mutual Life Assurance Society Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Six of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 3rd July, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

ORDERED, That Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Water Orders Confirmation Bill, to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Manchester, Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Bill, Standing Orders 204 and 235 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 82, 211, 236, and 237, be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Bill, to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Thames and Severn Canal Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Thames* and *Severn Canal* Bill, Standing Orders 204 and 235 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 82, 211, 236, and 237 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Bill, to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Aberdeen Harbour Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Aberdeen* Harbour Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Cranbrook District Water Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Cranbrook* District Water Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

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Derry City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Derry* City and County Railway (Abandonment) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Lancashire, Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London County Council (Money) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London* County Council (Money) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

North Eastern Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the North Eastern Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Tenterden Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Tenterden* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Torrington and Okehampton Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

West Highland Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the West Highland Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Order (Gas) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Supplement to the Thirteenth Report.

Irish Poor Law Expenditure. No. 366.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Irish* Poor Law Expenditure, which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant July, be printed.

Agricultural Statistics (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—General Abstract of Agricultural Statistics in *Ireland*, showing the Acreage under Crops, also the Number and Description of Live Stock in each County and Province, 1894–95.

Criminal and Judicial Statistics (Ireland.)

Copy of Report on the Criminal and Judicial Statistics of *Ireland* for the Year 1894, with Tables relating to—I. Police.—Repression of Crime. II. Civil Proceedings in Central and Larger and Smaller District Courts.

Marriages, Births, and Deaths (Ireland.)

Copy of Thirty-first Detailed Annual Report of the Registrar General of Marriages, Births, and Deaths in *Ireland*, 1894.

Banking, Railway, and Shipping Statistics (Ireland.)

Copy of Statistics of Deposits and Cash Balances in Joint Stock Banks; Deposits in Post Office Savings Banks and Trustee Savings Banks; Amount of the Government Funds, *India* Stocks, and Guaranteed Land Stock; and Bank Note Circulation in *Ireland*, June 1895; Weekly Traffic Receipts of *Irish* Railways for the first Twenty-six Weeks of the years 1894–95, and the aggregate Receipts for the first Six Months of each of the years 1887–95; also Tonnage of Vessels entered and cleared in the Ports of *Ireland* during the years 1884–94.

Public Records (Ireland.)

Copy of the Twenty-seventh Report of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records and Keeper of the State Papers in *Ireland* [1st June 1895].

Irish Land Commission.

Copy of Report of the *Irish* Land Commissioners for the Period from 1st April 1894 to 31st March 1895.

Lunacy (Ireland.)

Copy of Forty-fourth Report (with Appendices) of the Inspectors of Lunatics (*Ireland*).

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Ireland.)

Copy of Thirty-third Report of the Inspector appointed to visit the Reformatory and Industrial Schools of *Ireland*.

Prisons (Ireland.)

Copy of Seventeenth Report of the General Prisons Board (*Ireland*), 1894–95, with an Appendix.

Queen's College (Belfast.)

Copy of the Report of the President of Queen's College, *Belfast*, for the Session 1894–95.

Trade Unions.

Copy of Seventh Annual Report by the Chief Labour Correspondent of the Board of Trade on Trade Unions (1893), with Statistical Tables.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill. No. 367.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Gas Orders Confirmation Bill. No. 368.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Gas Orders Confirmation Bill.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Rule of the Road at Sea [Inquiry not completed.] No. 369.

Mr. Attorney General reported from the Select Committee on Rule of the Road at Sea; That they had agreed to the following Report:

The Committee, in respect of the short time which remains for the consideration of their Report during the present Session, resolve to report

report the Evidence to the House, and to express an opinion that a Committee should be appointed as soon as practicable in the next Session of Parliament for the purpose of considering the Evidence and reporting to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill, and Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

Mr. *Plunket* reported from the Select Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill and *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill; That, in the case of the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill, the Committee were of opinion that, as it would not be possible to conclude the case before the rising of the House, the consideration of the Bill, which had been partly considered by them, should not be further proceeded with during the present Session.

Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer), Lambeth Water, and Chelsea Water Bills.

Mr. *Plunket* further reported from the Committee; That, in the case of the *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer), *Lambeth* Water, and *Chelsea* Water Bills, the Committee were of opinion that the consideration of the said Bills should not be entered upon during the present Session.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Judicial Committee Amendment Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 337.

The Judicial Committee Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and be printed.

Neath, Pontardawe, and Bryn-aman Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Mr. *James Stuart* reported from the Committee on the *Neath*, *Pontardawe*, and *Bryn-aman* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same to make it consistent with the Clauses of the Bill as passed by the Committee, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Supply [2nd July] Report.

Mr. *Hanbury* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments, 1895–96 (Third Vote on Account.)

1. That a further Sum, not exceeding £. 3,525,100, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, *viz.*:—

Civil Services.

CLASS I.

	£.
Surveys of the United Kingdom	20,000
Harbours, &c., under Board of Trade, and Lighthouses Abroad	—
Peterhead Harbour	1,000
Rates on Government Property	32,000
Public Works and Buildings, *Ireland*	10,000
Railways, *Ireland*	15,000

CLASS II.

United Kingdom and *England*:—

House of Lords, Offices	6,000
House of Commons, Offices	7,000
Treasury and Subordinate Departments	10,000
Home Office and Subordinate Departments	10,000
Foreign Office	7,000
Colonial Office	5,000
Privy Council Office and Subordinate Departments	1,000
Board of Trade and Subordinate Departments	20,000
Mercantile Marine Fund, Grant in Aid	15,000
Bankruptcy Department of the Board of Trade	—
Board of Agriculture	—
Charity Commission	6,000
Civil Service Commission	4,000
Exchequer and Audit Department	4,000
Friendly Societies, Registry	700
Local Government Board	20,000
Lunacy Commission	500
Mint (including Coinage)	—
National Debt Office	2,000
Public Record Office	2,000
Public Works Loan Commission	1,000
Registrar General's Office	3,000
Stationery Office and Printing	80,000
Woods, Forests, &c., Office of	2,000
Works and Public Buildings, Office of	7,000
Secret Service	—

Scotland:—

Secretary for *Scotland*	1,000
Fishery Board	4,000
Lunacy Commission	500
Registrar General's Office	500
Local Government Board for *Scotland*	2,000

Ireland:—

Lord Lieutenant's Household	500
Chief Secretary and Subordinate Departments	3,000
Charitable Donations and Bequests Office	200
Local Government Board	25,000
Public Record Office	500
Public Works Office	3,000
Registrar General's Office	2,000
Valuation and Boundary Survey	—

CLASS III.

United Kingdom and *England*:—

Law Charges	18,000
Miscellaneous Legal Expenses	4,000
Supreme Court of Judicature	30,000
Land Registry	1,000
County Courts	1,000
Police Courts (*London* and *Sheerness*)	500
Police, *England* and *Wales*	4,000
Prisons, *England* and the Colonies	60,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools, *Great Britain*	10,000
Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum	4,000

Scotland:—

Law Charges and Courts of Law	10,000
Register House, *Edinburgh*	3,000
Crofters' Commission	500
Prisons, *Scotland*	10,000

Ireland:—

Law Charges and Criminal Prosecutions	6,000
Supreme Court of Judicature and other Legal Departments	12,000
Land Commission	8,000
County Court Officers, &c.	16,000
Dublin Metropolitan Police, &c.	8,000
Constabulary	150,000
Prisons, *Ireland*	10,000
Reformatory and Industrial Schools	—
Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum	500

CLASS IV.

United Kingdom and *England*:—

Public Education, *England* and *Wales*	700,000
Science and Art Department, United Kingdom	100,000
British Museum	10,000
National Gallery	2,000
National Portrait Gallery	500
Scientific Investigations, &c., United Kingdom	—
Universities and Colleges, *Great Britain*, and Intermediate Education, *Wales*	4,000
London University	—

Scotland:—

Public Education	60,000
National Gallery	500

Ireland:—

Public Education	50,000
Endowed Schools Commissioners	—
National Gallery	400
Queen's Colleges	500

CLASS V.

Diplomatic Services and Consular Services	20,000
British Protectorates in *Uganda* and *Central Africa*	10,000
Colonial Services, including *South Africa*	20,000
Cyprus, Grant in Aid	34,000
Slave Trade Services	500
Subsidies to Telegraph Companies, &c.	6,000

CLASS VI.	£.
Superannuation and Retired Allowances	10,000
Merchant Seamen's Fund, Pensions, &c.	—
Savings Banks and Friendly Societies Deficiency	—
Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances, *Great Britain*	300
Pauper Lunatics, *Ireland*	—
Hospitals and Charities, *Ireland*	2,000
CLASS VII.	
Temporary Commissions	5,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	500
Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*	5,000
Repayments to the Local Loans Fund	—
Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund	—
Relief of Distress, *Ireland*	4,000
Total for Civil Services	£. 1,745,100

Revenue Departments.	
Customs	130,000
Inland Revenue	300,000
Post Office	1,000,000
Post Office Packet Service	—
Post Office Telegraphs	350,000
Total for Revenue Departments	£. 1,780,000
Grand Total	£. 3,525,100

Navy Services (Vote on Account.)

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Navy Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, *viz.*:—

Effective Services:—	£.
Victualling and Clothing for the Navy	100,000
Medical Establishments and Services	20,000
Martial Law	1,000
Educational Services	5,000
Scientific Services	4,000
Royal Naval Reserves	20,000
Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c.:	
Section I. Personnel	100,000
Section II. Materiel	250,000
Naval Armaments	150,000
Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad	50,000
Miscellaneous Effective Services	50,000
Admiralty Office	20,000
Total Effective Services	£. 770,000
Non-Effective Services:—	
Half-Pay, Reserved, and Retired Pay	50,000
Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances	100,000
Civil Pensions and Gratuities	30,000
Total Non-Effective Services	£. 180,000
Additional Naval Force for Service in *Australasian* Waters—Annuity payable under	50,000
Total	£. 1,000,000

Army Services (Vote on Account.)

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charges for the following Army Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, *viz.*:—

Effective Services:—	£.
Medical Establishments: Pay, &c.	100,000
Militia: Pay and Allowances	200,000
Yeomanry Cavalry: Pay and Allowances	30,000
Volunteer Corps: Pay and Allowances	270,000
Transport and Remounts	210,000
Provisions, Forage, and other Supplies	900,000
Clothing Establishments and Services	280,000
Warlike and other Stores: Supply and Repair	550,000
Works, Buildings, and Repairs: Cost, including Superintending Establishment	320,000
Military Educational Establishments: Pay and Miscellaneous Charges	40,000
Miscellaneous Effective Services	20,000
War Office: Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges	80,000
Total Effective Services	£. 3,000,000
Non-Effective Services:	
Non-Effective Charges for Officers, &c.	500,000
Non-Effective Charges for Men, &c.	450,000
Superannuation, Compensation, and Compassionate Allowances	50,000
Total Non-Effective Services	£. 1,000,000
Total Effective and Non-Effective Services	£. 4,000,000

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ways and Means [2nd July] Report.

Mr. *Hanbury* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, the Sum of £. 14,534,875, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

Consolidated Fund.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending on the Thirty-first day of March One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And that Mr. *Mellor*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. *Hanbury* do prepare, and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Factories and Workshops Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Application of Act to Iron Tube Mills)—(Sir *Alfred Hickman*); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 24, by inserting, after the word "the," the word "following."—(Mr. *Tomlinson*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "following" be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 4, by leaving out the word "two," and inserting the word "four"—(Mr. *Jesse Collings*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word "two" stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 17, by leaving out from the word "warehouse," to the word "and," in l. 19.—(Mr. *Forwood.*)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Trusts Administration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trusts Administration Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Extradition Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Extradition Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) [Salary, &c.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) [Salary, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Salary of the Scientific Superintendent and of the Personal and Travelling Expenses of the Members of the Fishery Board, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session, for the better regulation of *Scottish* Sea Fisheries.—(Mr. *Hanbury.*)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Isle of Man (Customs) Bill.

The *Isle of Man* (Customs) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Colonial Boundaries Bill [*Lords.*]

The Colonial Boundaries Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. *Balfour*):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit till five minutes before Three of the clock, adjourned accordingly till To-morrow.

Thursday, 4th July, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Provisional Order Bills (Standing Order complied with.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Order which is applicable thereto has been complied with, *viz.*:—

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 21) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Chesterfield Gas and Water Board Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That Standing Order 243 be suspended, and that the *Chesterfield* Gas and Water Board Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Birmingham, North Warwickshire, and Stratford-upon-Avon Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Birmingham*, North *Warwickshire*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Dublin United Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Dublin* United Tramways Bill, Standing Order 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with a new Title, as followeth:

[New Title.]

An Act to authorise the use of Mechanical Power upon portions of the Undertaking of the *Dublin* United Tramways Company, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Neath, Pontardawe, and Bryn-aman Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Neath*, *Pontardawe*, and *Bryn-aman* Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended prints shall have been previously deposited:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third

third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill, to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That Standing Orders 211 and 236 be suspended, and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Bill, to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Brean Down Harbour and Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Brean Down* Harbour and Railway Bill, Standing Orders 204 and 235 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read a second time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *London* and South Western Railway Bill, and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lords.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill, and Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Minutes of Evidence, together with an Appendix, taken before the Select Committee on the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill, and *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill, in the case of the *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill.—(Mr. *Plunket.*)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Supplement to the Thirteenth Report.

Greenwich Hospital and Travers' Foundation.

No. 370.

Mr. *Goschen* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statement of the Estimated Income and Expenditure of *Greenwich* Hospital, and of *Travers'* Foundation, for the year 1895–96.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Accidents.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Returns of Accidents and Casualties as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the Three Months ending 31st March 1895, together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

Railway Accidents (General Report.)

Copy of General Report of the Board of Trade upon Railway Accidents which have occurred on the Railways of the United Kingdom during the year 1894.

Horse Breeding (Royal Commission.)

Copy of Fifth Report of the Royal Commission on Horse Breeding.

Savings Banks.

No. 371.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of March last, for a Return relative to Savings Banks (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 175, of Session 1894).

Post Office Savings Bank.

Return to an Order dated the 25th day of April last, for a Return relative to Post Office Savings Banks.

Intoxicating Liquors Licences (Scotland.)

No. 372.

Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of May last, for a Return relative to Intoxicating Liquors Licences (*Scotland*) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 497 of Session 1893–94.

Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1894 (Cost of First Elections, &c.)

No. 373.

Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of May last, for Returns relative to Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, 1894 (Cost of First Elections, &c.)

Bankruptcy Act, 1883 (Proceedings.)

No. 374.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account prepared in pursuance of the Bankruptcy Act, 1883, showing the Receipts and Expenditure in respect of Bankruptcy Proceedings during the year ended 31st March 1895.

Companies (Winding-up) Act, 1890.

No. 375.

Account showing the Receipts and Expenditure in respect of Proceedings under the Companies (Winding-up) Act, 1890, during the year ended 31st March 1895.

High Court of Justice and Court of Appeal, &c.

No. 376.

Account, prepared in pursuance of the Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1875, showing the Receipts and Expenditure in respect of the High Court of Justice and Court of Appeal, during the year ended 31st March 1895.

Land Registry.

No. 377.

Account showing the Receipts and Payments in respect of the Land Registry, for the year ended 31st March 1895.

County Officers and Courts (Ireland) Act, 1877.

No. 378.

Account of Receipts and Payments under the County Officers and Courts (*Ireland*) Act, 1877, during the year ended 31st March 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the Papers relative to Savings Banks, Intoxicating Liquors Licencies (*Scotland*), Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, 1894 (Cost of First Elections, &c.), Bankruptcy Act, 1883 (Proceedings), Companies (Winding-up) Act, 1890, High Court of Justice and Court of Appeal, &c., Land Registry and County Officers and Courts (*Ireland*) Act, 1877, be printed.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Mr. *Curzon* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1569 to 1582.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 369 and 370.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Select Committees.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Select Committees.

Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 17.

No. 379.

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Adjournment Motions under Standing Order 17.

Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 25.)

No. 380.

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Closure of Debate (Standing Order 25).

Private Bills.

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Private Bills.

Business of the House (Days occupied by Government and by Private Members.)

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Business of the House (Days occupied by Government and by Private Members).

No. 381.

Divisions of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Division of the House.

Public Petitions.

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Public Petitions.

Sittings of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the Sittings of the House.

Public Bills.

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Public Bills.

Lambeth Water (Transfer) Bill, and Southwark and Vauxhall Water (Transfer) Bill.

Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of this instant July, for a Paper relative to *Lambeth* Water (Transfer) Bill and *Southwark* and *Vauxhall* Water (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the said Returns be printed.

No. 384.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Memorandum stating the nature of the Proposals contained in the Provisional Orders included in the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

No. 382.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Water Orders Confirmation Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed, and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Manchester*, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Bill; That, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 27th day of June, it was proved to the satisfaction of the Committee that the consent of the shareholders of the Metropolitan Railway Company had been obtained at a meeting held in accordance with the requirements of Standing Order No. 64, and the Committee had introduced into the Bill the additional provision applied for.

Mr. *Mellor* further reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same by inserting recitals as to the additional provision made in the Bill, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Thames and Severn Canal Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the *Thames* and *Severn* Canal Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended, the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Bristol Extension Bill [*Lords*.]

Mr. *Coddington* reported from the Committee on the *Bristol* Extension Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vide Supplement to the Votes.

Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders of this House, as amended, be printed.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

No. 383.

Public Expenditure.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Public Expenditure (Exchequer Issues), Charges on Taxes, for each year 1857–58 to 1894–95 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 255, of Session 1894).—(Sir *James Carmichael*.)

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *De Tatton Egerton* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill; That they had considered the Order therein contained; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration Tomorrow.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 16) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *De Tatton Egerton* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration Tomorrow.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *De T. Egerton* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration Tomorrow.

The

Naturalization (Residence Abroad) Bill [*Lords.*] Bill 338.

The Naturalization (Residence Abroad) Bill was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Extradition Bill [*Lords.*]

The Extradition Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Judicial Committee Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The Judicial Committee Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Isle of Man (Customs) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Isle of Man* (Customs) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 4, agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Colonial Boundaries Bill [*Lords.*]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Colonial Boundaries Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act, (1883) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 3, agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 4, amended, and agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 5, agreed to.
New Clause (Provisions of Valuation Acts to be applicable to Police Burghs)—(Dr. *Clark*)—brought up, and read the first time.
Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time,—put, and negatived.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Post Office (West India Mail Contract.)

Resolved, That the Contract, dated the 24th day of May 1895, entered into with the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company for the performance of the *West India* Mail Service, be approved.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Post Office (Holyhead and Kingstown Mail Contract.)

Resolved, That the Contract, dated the 1st day of July 1895, entered into with the City of *Dublin* Steam Packet Company for the conveyance of Mails between *Holyhead* and *Kingstown*, be approved.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) [Salary, &c.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) [Salary, &c.], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth: That it is expedient to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, of the Salary of the Scientific Superintendent and of the personal and travelling expenses of the Members of the Fishery Board, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session for the better regulation of *Scottish* Sea Fisheries.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill [*Lords.*]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 3, agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 4, amended, and agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 5, agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 6, amended, and agreed to.
CLAUSES, N° 7 to N° 9, agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 10 (Restriction as to beam trawling, and other trawling).
An Amendment made.
Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 21, after "1882" to insert the words "but not otherwise."—(Sir *Albert Rollit*.)
Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Other Amendments made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
CLAUSES, N° 11 to N° 14, agreed to.
CLAUSES, N° 15 and N° 16, amended, and agreed to.
CLAUSES, N° 17 to N° 29, agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath

hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. *Balfour*):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before Six of the clock, adjourned accordingly till To-morrow.

Friday, 5th July, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Education Endowments (Ireland) (Limerick Diocesan Schools) (Answer to Address.)

THE Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 20th day of May last, relative to Education Endowments (*Ireland*) (*Limerick* Diocesan Schools) had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that I will withhold My Consent from so much of Paragraph 6 of Scheme 90, framed by the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Commissioners, relating to the *Limerick* Diocesan Schools Endowments, as provides for the conveyance and release by the Commissioners of all their estate and interest in the lands, buildings, and premises described in the First Schedule thereto, Part IV., subject as therein to the Rev. *James Fitzgerald Gregg* on the notice and payments therein set forth by him to the Commissioners in that behalf to be given and made; and disapprove of that part of said Scheme which makes the default by the said Rev. *James Fitzgerald Gregg* in giving said notice or making said payments within certain times therein set forth, a condition precedent to the Commissioners putting up for sale by public auction and selling to the best advantage all their estate and interest in the said premises subject as aforesaid, and conveying same to the purchaser thereof; and disapprove of any part of the said Scheme which, if retained therein, will operate to compel or allow the Commissioners to take any course with regard to the said premises other than to put up for sale and sell to the best advantage all their estate and interest therein, and convey same subject as aforesaid to the purchaser thereof.

I will comply with your advice.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Dewsbury and *Heckmondwike* Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Provisional Order Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*London*) Bill.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Tottenham*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time To-morrow.

Private Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders not previously inquired into not complied with.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders not previously inquired into, and which are applicable thereto, have not been complied with, *viz.*:—

Leeds Corporation Tramways Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Bristol Extension Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Bristol* Extension Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended Prints shall have been previously deposited—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Order 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Manchester*, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended Prints shall have been previously deposited—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

Mr. *Mellor*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Thames and Severn Canal Bill [*Lords.*]

Ordered, That, in the case of the *Thames* and *Severn* Canal Bill, Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration, provided amended Prints shall have been previously deposited—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(Dr. *Farquharson.*)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Dover Undercliff (Reclamation) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Dover Undercliff* (Reclamation) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 29th day of this instant July.

Mr.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Great Western Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Great Western Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Oldham and Royton Canal Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Oldham* and *Royton* Canal Bill, without Amendment.

Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Bute* Docks, *Cardiff*, Bill, without Amendment.

North Pembrokeshire and Fishguard Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Taff Vale Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Taff Vale* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Wirral Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Wirral* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Fires (False Alarms) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill, with Amendments; to which theLords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London, Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Croydon Corporation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Croydon* Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bray Township Improvement Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Bray* Township Improvement Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* County Council (*Tower Bridge* Southern Approach) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Clonmel Corporation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Clonmel* Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Solway Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill (*changed from* Solway Junction Railway (Caledonian Transfer, &c.) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Solway* Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

North British Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *North British* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Highland Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Highland Railway Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Bray Township Improvement Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Bray* Township Improvement Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Clonmel Corporation Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Clonmel* Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Croydon Corporation Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Croydon* Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Glasgow and South Western Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Glasgow Corporation and Police Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Latimer Road and Acton Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London County Council (Tower Bridge Southern Approach) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London* County Council (*Tower Bridge* Southern Approach) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London, Walthamstow, and Epping Forest Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London, Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The

North British Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *North British* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Solway Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Solway* Junction Railway (Transfer) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Highland Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Highland Railway Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 21) Bill.

The Local Government Provisional Order (No. 21) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill [Provisional Order relating to Salford not proceeded with; remaining Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *De Tatton Egerton* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill; That they had considered the Orders therein contained; that the Parties promoting the Provisional Order relating to *Salford* had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed further therewith; that the remaining Orders ought to be confirmed.

(Costs Awarded.)

Mr. *De Tatton Egerton* further reported from the Committee; That, in the case of the *Salford* Order, they were unanimously of opinion that the Petitioners against the confirmation of the said Order had been unreasonably subjected to expense in defending their rights proposed to be interfered with by the said Order, and are entitled to recover from the Promoters, namely, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Salford*, their whole costs in relation to the said opposition.

Mr. *De Tatton Egerton* further reported from the Committee; That they had amended the Title as followeth: A Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders of the Local Government Board relating to *Dover*, *Fenton*, *Greetland*, *Hoddesdon*, *Lancaster*, *Leeds*, *Leigh*, *Swansea*, and *West Ham* (two); and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House. (Title amended.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed. *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *Mellor* reported from the Committee on the Electric Lighting Provisional Order (No. 6) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons) (Second Report.) No. 385.

Mr. *Leveson Gower* reported from the Select Committee on the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons); That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The

Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills.

The Marquess of *Carmarthen* reported from the Select Committee on Police and Sanitary Regulations Bills; That they had considered the Bills to them referred, and directed him to make a Special Report to the House.

(Special Report.) No. 386.

Ordered, That the Special Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Merthyr Tydfil Local Board Water Bill [*Lords.*] *Vide* Supplement to the Votes.

Mr. *Mount* reported the *Merthyr Tydfil* Local Board Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 84, 214, 215, 223, and 239 be suspended, and that the Bill be now taken into consideration—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 223 and 243 be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(Dr. *Farquharson*):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Public Petitions. *Vide* Supplement to the Thirteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Post Office Savings Banks. No. 387.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Post Office Savings Banks, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant July, be printed.

Local Government Board (Port and Riparian Sanitary Survey.)

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports and Papers on the Port and Riparian Sanitary Survey of *England* and *Wales*, 1893–4, with an Introduction by the Medical Officer of the Local Government Board.

Education Department (Training Colleges.)

Copies of Reports and Statistics relating to Training Colleges for the year 1894.

Education Department (General Reports.)

Copies of General Reports to the Education Department by the Chief Inspectors of the Eastern, North Eastern, North Central, South Western and *Welsh* Divisions, for the year 1894.

Education Department (University Colleges.)

Copies of Reports from University Colleges participating, in accordance with the Treasury Minute dated 1st July 1889, in the Grant of £. 15,000 made by Parliament for University Colleges in *Great Britain*.

Education (Scotland.)

Copy of Report of the Committee of Council on Education in *Scotland*; with Appendix, 1894-95.

Education (Science and Art Department.)

Copy of Return made to the Science and Art Department, showing the manner in which and the extent to which the Local Authorities in *England*, *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland* are applying Funds to the purposes of Technical Instruction (including Science, Art, Technical and Manual Instruction).

Education (Science and Art Department.)

Copy of Calendar, History, and General Summary of Regulations of the Department of Science and Art for the year 1896 (with Tables).

Queen's College (Cork.)

Copy of the Report of the President of Queen's College, *Cork*, for the Session 1894–95, with Appendices.

Local Government Board (Ireland.)

Copy of Annual Report, with Appendices, of the Local Government Board for *Ireland*, being the Twenty-third Report under the Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Act, 35 & 36 *Vic.* c. 69, for the year ended 31st March 1895, with Appendices.

Parliamentary Electors in Counties (Scotland.) No. 388.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of May, last, for Returns relative to Parliamentary Electors in Counties (*Scotland*).

Parliamentary Electors in Burghs (Scotland.) No. 389.

Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of May last, for Returns relative to Parliamentary Electors in Burghs (*Scotland*).

Isle of Man. No. 390.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Revenue and Expenditure in respect of the Duties of the Customs of the *Isle of Man*, and Abstract Account of the Accumulated Fund for the year ended 31st March 1895, together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

University of Aberdeen. No. 391.

Copy of Abstract of Accounts of the University of *Aberdeen* for the year ending 15th September 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the Papers relative to Parliamentary Electors in Counties (*Scotland*), Parliamentary Electors in Burghs (*Scotland*), the *Isle of Man*, and the University of *Aberdeen*, be printed.

Charitable Endowments (London.) No. 392.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relative to Charitable Endowments (*London*).

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Tramways (Street and Road.) No. 393.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Street and Road Tramways authorised by Parliament, showing the Amount of Capital authorised, Paid up, and Expended, the Length of Tramway authorised, and the Length open for the Public Conveyance of Passengers down to the 30th day of June 1895; the Gross Receipts, working Expenditure, and Net Receipts, the Number of Passengers conveyed, and the Number of Miles run by Cars during the year ended the 30th day of June 1895; together with the Number of Horses, Engines, and Cars at that date (in continuance of Parliamentary Paper, No. 270, of Session 1894).

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table: and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Sir *John Mowbray* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

National Mutual Life Assurance Society Bill [*Lords.*]

That in the case of the National Mutual Life Assurance Society Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; and that the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolution being read a second time was agreed to.

Barnsley Corporation Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the *Barnsley* Corporation Water Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Sitting of the House (Saturday.)

Resolved, That this House do meet To-morrow, at half-past Ten of the clock a.m.—(Mr. *Balfour*.)

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 6, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through

through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Extradition Bill [*Lords.*]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Extradition Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1.

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 16, after "is," to insert "and at the request and with the consent of the criminal, made or given in writing, "the order may, if the Secretary of State is of "opinion that that course is necessary to avoid "danger or injury to the health of the criminal, "permit the case to be heard by the magistrate "in the absence of the criminal."—(Sir *Edward Reed.*)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Judicial Committee Amendment Bill [*Lords.*]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Judicial Committee Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Naturalization (Residence Abroad) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Naturalization (Residence Abroad) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Mellor* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that the House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 5) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 6) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 9) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 13) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Fires (False Alarms) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Fires (False Alarms) Bill be now taken into consideration.

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Retired Soldiers and Sailors (Employment.)

The Lords request that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships a Copy of the Report, &c., of the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament on Retired Soldiers and Sailors (Employment.)

Ordered, That a Printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Royal Patriotic Fund.

The Lords request that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships a Copy of the Report, &c., of the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament on the Royal Patriotic Fund.

Ordered, That a Printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. *Balfour*):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Four of the clock, adjourned accordingly till To-morrow.

Saturday, 6th July, 1895.

THE House met at half after Ten of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [*Lords.*]

THE Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*London*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Tottenham) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Tottenham*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Building Societies.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of an Abstract of the Accounts furnished by Building Societies incorporated to the 31st day of December 1894, including *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, under the Building Societies Acts, in pursuance of the Act 37 and 38 *Vic.* c. 42, s. 40, in the annexed Form:—

Register Number.	Year when Incorporated.	Name of Society, and Chief Office or Place of Meeting.	Year of the Society's Existence.	Date to which Accounts are made up.	Number of Members (where stated).	Total Receipts during the last Financial Year.	Liabilities.		Balance of Unappropriated Profit.	Balance Deficit (if any).	Assets.	
							To the Holders of Shares.	To Depositors and other Creditors.			Balance due on Mortgage Securities (not including prospective Interest).	Amount Invested in other Securities, and Cash.

(in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 222, of Session 1894).—(Sir *John Lubbock*.)

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Supplement to the Thirteenth Report.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Great Britain.)

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-eighth Report, being for the year 1894, of the Inspector appointed, under the provisions of the Act 5 & 6 *Will.* 4, c. 38, to visit the certified Reformatory and Industrial Schools of *Great Britain*.

Public Works (Ireland.)

Copy of Sixty-third Annual Report from the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland*, with Appendices, for the year 1894-95.

Irish Land Commission (Judicial Rents.)

Copy of Return according to Provinces and Counties of Judicial Rents fixed by Chief Commission, Sub-Commissions, and Civil Bill Courts, as notified to the *Irish* Land Commission during the Months of March, April, May, and June 1895, specifying Dates and Amounts respectively of the last Increases of Rent, where ascertained; also, Rents fixed upon the Reports of Valuers appointed by the *Irish* Land Commission on the Joint Applications of Landlords and Tenants.

Irish Land Commission (Proceedings.)

Copies of Returns of Proceedings under "The Land Law (*Ireland*) Acts, 1881 and 1887," "The Labourers (*Ireland*) Acts, 1883–1891," and "The Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Acts, 1885, 1888, and 1891," and "The Redemption of Rent (*Ireland*) Act, 1891," during the Months of February, March, April, May, and June 1895.

Colonial Conference, 1894.

Copy of Despatches from the Secretary of State for the Colonies on Questions of Trade and Commercial Treaties Colonial Conference at *Ottawa* (in continuation of C. 7553.)

National Debt.

Copy of Return showing at the close of each Financial Year from 1835–36 to 1894–95, both inclusive, the Aggregate Gross Liabilities of the State as represented by the Nominal Funded Debt, Estimated Capital Value of Terminable Annuities, Unfunded Debt, and other Liabilities in respect of Debt, the Estimated Assets, and the Aggregate Net Liabilities, also the Exchequer Balances; and showing at the close of each Financial Year, from 1835-36 to 1894–95, both inclusive, the Gross and Net Expenditure charged on the Consolidated Fund on account of the National Debt, and other Payments in respect of Debt (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 312, of Session 1894).

Thomas Weir (Inquiry as to Cause of Death.) No. 394.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 2nd day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *Thomas Weir* (Inquiry as to cause of Death).

Building Societies. No. 395.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Building Societies.

Taxes and Imposts. No. 396.

Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of May last, for Returns relative to Taxes and Imposts.

Commission of the Peace (Ireland.) No. 397.

Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of May last, for Returns relative to Commission of the Peace (*Ireland*).

Public Income and Expenditure. No. 398.

Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of June last, for a Return relative to Public Income and Expenditure (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 227, of Session 1894.

Public Expenditure. No. 399.

Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Public Expenditure (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 255, of Session 1894).

Polling Districts (Cambridgeshire.)

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliaments,—Copy of Order of the County Council of *Cambridge* for dividing the Western Division of the County into Polling Districts.

Artizans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Acts, 1875 to 1882 (Metropolis (Trafalgar Road, Greenwich) Improvement Scheme 1883.)

Copy of Order of the Secretary of State, under the Artisans and Labourers Dwellings Improvement Acts, 1875 to 1882, permitting further modifications to be made in the *Trafalgar Road, Greenwich*, Scheme.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to *Thomas Weir* (Inquiry as to cause of Death), Building Societies, Taxes and Imposts, Commission of the Peace (*Ireland*), Public Income and Expenditure, and Public Expenditure, be printed.

Chamber of London. No. 400.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Annual Accounts of the Chamberlain of *London* for the year ended 31st December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Parliamentary Papers. No. 401.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—List of the Bills, Reports, Estimates, and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House, and of Papers presented by Command, Session 1895, 25th Parliament, 4th Session, 58 & 59 *Vic.*, 5th February to 6th July 1895; also a General Alphabetical Index to Bills, Reports, Estimates, and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House, and of Papers presented by Command, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (Poor Law) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes) (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Order (Housing of Working Classes) (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 8) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 11) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 12) Bill, without Amendment.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Provisional Order Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Drainage and Improvement of Lands (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 7) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 8) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 9) Bill, without Amendment.

Burgh Police (Scotland) Provisional Order (Paisley) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Provisional Order (*Paisley*) Bill, without Amendment.

Dublin (City) Steam Packet Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Dublin* (City) Steam Packet Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government (Ireland) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government (*Ireland*) Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill, without Amendment.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Birmingham, North Warwickshire, and Stratford-upon-Avon Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Birmingham*, North *Warwickshire*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Neath, Pontardawe, and Bryn-aman Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Neath*, *Pontardawe*, and *Bryn-aman* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Southend-on-Sea* Corporation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Southend-on-Sea Corporation Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Southend-on-Sea* Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without Amendment.

Isle of Man (Customs) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Isle of Man* (Customs) Bill, without Amendment.

Factories and Workshops Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Factories and Workshops Bill, without Amendment.

Fatal Accidents Inquiry (Scotland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Bill, without Amendment.

Naval Works Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Naval Works Bill, without Amendment.

Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Bill, without Amendment.

Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act (1883) Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

Lands Valuation (Scotland) Acts Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Acts Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Act (1894) (Stock Transfer) (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Industrial and Provident Societies Act (1893) Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

Fisheries (Close Season) (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Bill, without Amendment.

Sea Fisheries Regulation (Scotland) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) Bill, without Amendment.

Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Tramways Provisional Orders (No. 1) Bill, without Amendment.

Merthyr Tydfil Local Board Water Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Merthyr Tydfil* Local Board Water Bill, without Amendment.

Bristol Extension Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Bristol* Extension Bill, without Amendment.

Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire Railway Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Manchester*, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Bill, without Amendment.

Thames and Severn Canal Bill [*Lords.*]

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the *Thames* and *Severn* Canal Bill, without Amendment.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas Dacres Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to the several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and the Lords, thereby authorised, declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Appropriation Act, 1895.
2. Volunteer Act, 1895.

3. Outdoor

3. Outdoor Relief (*Ireland*) Act, 1895.
4. Law of Distress Amendment Act, 1895.
5. Mortgagees' Legal Costs Act, 1895.
6. Friendly Societies Act, 1895.
7. Market Gardeners' Compensation Act, 1895.
8. Industrial and Provident Societies (Amendment) Act, 1895.
9. Fisheries (Close Season) (*Ireland*) Act, 1895.
10. False Alarms of Fire Act, 1895.
11. Extradition Act, 1895.
12. Colonial Boundaries Act, 1895.
13. Naval Works Act, 1895.
14. Fatal Accidents Inquiry (*Scotland*) Act, 1895.
15. Factory and Workshop Act, 1895.
16. *Isle of Man* (Customs) Act, 1895.
17. Summary Jurisdiction (Married Women) Act, 1895.
18. Corrupt and Illegal Practices Prevention Act, 1895.
19. Lands Valuation (*Scotland*) Amendment Act, 1895.
20. Sea Fisheries Regulation (*Scotland*) Act, 1895.
21. Naturalization Act, 1895.
22. Judicial Committee Amendment Act, 1895.
23. Local Government (Stock Transfer) Act, 1895.
24. Commons Regulation (*Bexhill*) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1895.
25. Commons Regulation (*Halifax*) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1895.
26. Inclosure (*Castor* and *Ailsworth*) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1895.
27. Inclosure (*Upton Saint Leonards*) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1895.
28. Pier and Harbour Order Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1895.
29. Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 5) Act, 1895.
30. Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 7) Act, 1895.
31. Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 8) Act, 1895.
32. Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 9) Act, 1895.
33. Local Government Board (*Ireland*) Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 10) Act, 1895.
34. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 4) Act, 1895.
35. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act, 1895.
36. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 6) Act, 1895.
37. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 8) Act, 1895.
38. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 9) Act, 1895.
39. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 11) Act, 1895.
40. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 12) Act, 1895.
41. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 13) Act, 1895.
42. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Housing of Working Classes) Act, 1895.
43. Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (Housing of Working Classes) (No. 2) Act, 1895.
44. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Poor Law) Act, 1895.
45. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (Gas) Act, 1895.
46. Drainage and Improvement of Lands Supplemental (*Ireland*) Act, 1895.
47. *Paisley* Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1895.
48. Water Orders Confirmation Act, 1895.
49. Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 1) Act, 1895.
50. Tramways Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1895.
51. Electric Lighting Orders Confirmation (No. 5) Act, 1895.
52. Electric Lighting Order Confirmation (No. 6) Act, 1895.
53. *Belfast* and Northern Counties Railway Act, 1895.
54. *Greenock* Harbour Act, 1895.
55. *Kingstown* and *Kingsbridge* Junction Railway (Extension of Time) Act, 1895.
56. *Staffordshire Potteries* Stipendiary Justice Act, 1895.
57. *Liskeard* and *Looe* Railway Extension Act, 1895.
58. *Rhondda* and *Swansea Bay* Railway Act, 1895.
59. *Swansea* Harbour Act, 1895.
60. *Weaver* Navigation Act, 1895.
61. Great Northern and City Railway Act, 1895.
62. Warehousemen, Clerks', and Drapers' Schools Act, 1895.
63. Land Securities Company (Limited) Act, 1895.
64. *Bridlington* Water Act, 1895.
65. *Lanarkshire* and *Dumbartonshire* Railway Act, 1895.
66. *Sutton* Harbour Act, 1895.
67. Great Western Railway Act, 1895.
68. *Oldham* and *Royton* Canal Act, 1895.
69. *Bute* Docks Act, 1895.
70. North *Pembrokeshire* and *Fishguard* Railway Act, 1895.
71. *Taff Vale* Railway Act, 1895.
72. City of *Dublin* Steam Packet Company's Act, 1895.
73. *Wirral* Railway Act, 1895.
74. *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Act, 1895.
75. *London* and North Western Railway Act, 1895.
76. *London* County Council (General Powers) Act, 1895.
77. *Brighouse* Corporation Act, 1895.
78. *London* County Council (*Vauxhall Bridge*) Act, 1895.
79. *London* County Council (*Tower Bridge* Southern Approach) Act, 1895.
80. *Clonmel* Corporation Act, 1895.
81. *Solway* Junction Railway (Transfer) Act, 1895.
82. Midland Railway Act, 1895.
83. *Cranbrook* District Water Act, 1895.
84. *Tenterden* Railway Act, 1895.
85. *Aberdeen* Harbour Act, 1895.
86. West Highland Railway Act, 1895.
87. *Derry* City and County Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1895.
88. *Torrington* and *Okehampton* Railway Act, 1895.
89. *London* County Council (Money) Act, 1895.
90. *Lancashire*, *Derbyshire*, and East Coast Railway Act, 1895.
91. North Eastern Railway Act, 1895.
92. *Glasgow* Corporation and Police Act, 1895.
93. South Western Railway Act, 1895.
94. *Neath*, *Pontardawe*, and *Bryn-aman* Railway Act, 1895.
95. *Birmingham*, North *Warwickshire*, and *Stratford-upon-Avon* Railway Act, 1895.
96. *Bristol* Corporation Act, 1895.
97. *Chesterfield* Gas and Water Board Act, 1895.

98. *Manchester*, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire* Railway Act, 1895.
99. *Thames* and *Severn* Canal Trust Act, 1895.
100. *Latimer Road* and *Acton* Railway Act, 1895.
101. *North British* Railway Act, 1895.
102. Highland Railway Act, 1895.
103. *London*, *Walthamstow*, and *Epping Forest* Railway Act, 1895.
104. *Croydon* Corporation Act, 1895.
105. *Bray* Township Act, 1895.
106. *Southend-on-Sea* Corporation Act, 1895.
107. *Merthyr Tydfil* District Council Waterworks Act, 1895..

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read. Parliament Prorogued.

After which the Lord Chancellor said :

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

By virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in Her Majesty's Name and in obedience to Her Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Wednesday the twenty-fourth day of this instant July, to be then here holden ; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Wednesday the twenty-fourth day of this instant July.

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OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

1895.—Sess. II.

From August the 12th to September the 5th.

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By The QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION,

For dissolving the present Parliament, and declaring the Calling of another.

VICTORIA R.

WHEREAS We have thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, to dissolve this present Parliament, which stands prorogued to *Wednesday* the Twenty-fourth day of *July* instant: We do, for that end, publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby dissolve the said Parliament accordingly: And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs, of the House of Commons, are discharged from their Meeting and Attendance on the said *Wednesday* the Twenty-fourth day of *July* instant: And We, being desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our People, and to have their Advice in Parliament, do hereby make known to all Our loving Subjects Our Royal Will and Pleasure to call a new Parliament: And do hereby further declare, that, with the Advice of Our Privy Council, We have given Order that Our Chancellor of that Part of Our United Kingdom called *Great Britain* and Our Chancellor of *Ireland* do respectively, upon Notice thereof, forthwith issue out Writs, in due Form and according to Law, for calling a new Parliament: And We do hereby also, by this Our Royal Proclamation under Our Great Seal of Our United Kingdom, require Writs forthwith to be issued accordingly by Our said Chancellors respectively, for causing the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, who are to serve in the said Parliament, to be duly returned to, and give their attendance in, Our said Parliament on the Twelfth day of *August* next; which Writs are to be returnable in due course of Law.

Given at Our Court at *Windsor*, this Eighth day of *July*, in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Ninety-five, and in the Fifty-ninth Year of Our Reign.

GOD save The QUEEN.

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OF THE

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Session II.—1895.

The Parliament begun and held at the City of Westminster, on Monday the Twelfth day of August, in the Fifty-ninth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady VICTORIA, by the grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith; and in the Year of our Lord 1895.

Parliament meets.

ON which day, at Two of the clock, being the first day of the meeting of this Parliament, pursuant to a Proclamation (hereunto annexed), Sir *Reginald Francis Douce Palgrave*, K.C.B., Clerk of the House of Commons, and *Archibald John Scott Milman*, Esquire, C.B., and *Francis Broxholm Grey Jenkinson*, Esquire, Clerks Assistant, attending in the House, and the other Clerks attending, according to their duty, *Kenneth Augustus Muir Mackenzie*, Esquire, C.B., Clerk of the Crown in Chancery in *Great Britain*, delivered to the said Sir *Reginald Francis Douce Palgrave*, K.C.B., a Book, containing a List of the Names of the Members returned to serve in this Parliament.

Several of the Members repaired to their Seats.

Message to attend the Lords Commissioners.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas Dacres Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Gentlemen,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly, the House went up to the House of Peers; where the Lord Chancellor and other Lords named in the Commission, being seated on a Form, between the Throne and the Woolsacks:

The Lord Chancellor said,

My Lords, and Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

Parliament opened by Commission.

HER Majesty, not thinking fit to be here present this day in Her Royal Person, has been pleased, in order to the opening and holding of this Parliament, to cause Letters Patent to be passed under Her Great Seal, constituting us and several other Lords therein named Her Commissioners, to do all things, in Her Majesty's name, on Her part necessary to be performed in this Parliament; this will more fully appear by the Letters Patent themselves, which must now be read.

Then the said Letters Patent were read; and are as follows:

VICTORIA R.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* Queen, Defender of the Faith: To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting. Whereas by the advice of Our Council, for certain arduous and urgent affairs concerning Us, the state and defence of Our said United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, and the Church, We have ordered a certain Parliament to be holden at Our City of *Westminster* on Monday the Twelfth day of August instant: And forasmuch as, for certain causes, We cannot conveniently be present in Our Royal Person in Our said Parliament upon the said Twelfth day of August instant: Know ye, That We, trusting in the discretion, fidelity, and care of Our most dear and entirely beloved Sons and most faithful Councillors *Albert Edward* Prince of *Wales*, *Arthur William Patrick Albert* Duke of *Connaught and Strathearn*; Our most dear Grandson and most faithful Councillor *George Frederick Ernest Albert* Duke of *York*; Our most dear Cousin and faithful Councillor *George William Frederick Charles* Duke of *Cambridge*; and Others Our Councillors hereinafter mentioned by the advice of Our said Council, do give and grant by the tenor of these presents unto the said *Albert Edward* Prince of *Wales*, *Arthur William*

William Patrick Albert Duke of *Connaught and Strathearn*, *George Frederick Ernest Albert* Duke of *York*, *George William Frederick Charles* Duke of *Cambridge*, the Most Reverend Father in God and Our faithful Councillor *Edward White* Archbishop of *Canterbury*, Primate of all *England* and Metropolitan; Our well-beloved and faithful Councillor *Hardinge Stanley* Lord *Halsbury*, Chancellor of that part of Our said United Kingdom called *Great Britain*; the Most Reverend Father in God and Our faithful Councillor *William Dalrymple* Archbishop of *York*, Primate of *England* and Metropolitan; Our most dear Cousins and Councillors *Spencer Compton* Duke of *Devonshire*, President of Our Council; *Richard Assheton* Viscount *Cross*, Keeper of Our Privy Seal; *Henry* Duke of *Norfolk*, *Charles Henry* Duke of *Richmond and Gordon*, *Henry Charles Fitzroy* Duke of *Beaufort*, *William Amelius Aubrey De Vere* Duke of *Saint Albans*, *John James Robert* Duke of *Rutland*, *George Douglas* Duke of *Argyll*, *William John Arthur Charles James* Duke of *Portland*, *Algernon George* Duke of *Northumberland*, *Hugh Lupus* Duke of *Westminster*, *Alexander William George* Duke of *Fife*, *Charles* Marquess of *Huntly*, *Schomberg Henry* Marquess of *Lothian*, *Henry Charles Keith* Marquess of *Lansdowne*, *Robert Arthur Talbot* Marquess of *Salisbury*, *Hugh De Grey* Marquess of *Hertford*, *John Henry Delapoer* Marquess of *Waterford*, *Charles Stewart* Marquess of *Londonderry*, *George Frederick Samuel* Marquess of *Ripon*, *Gavin* Marquess of *Breadalbane*, *Frederick Temple* Marquess of *Dufferin and Ava*, *Lawrence* Marquess of *Zetland*, *Edward* Earl of *Lathom*, Chamberlain of Our Household; *Frederick Arthur* Earl of *Derby*, *Edwyn Francis* Earl of *Chesterfield*, *George William* Earl of *Coventry*, *Victor Albert George Child* Earl of *Jersey*, *Victor Alexander* Earl of *Elgin and Kincardine*, *Algernon Hawkins Thomond* Earl of *Kintore*, *John Campbell* Earl of *Aberdeen*, *Archibald Philip* Earl of *Rosebery*, *John Adrian Louis* Earl of *Hopetoun*, *William Heneage* Earl of *Dartmouth*, *Charles* Earl of *Tankerville*, *Francis Thomas De Grey* Earl *Cowper*, *Charles Philip* Earl of *Hardwicke*, *Henry Edward* Earl of *Ilchester*, *William* Earl of *Radnor*, *John Poyntz* Earl *Spencer*, *William Henry* Earl of *Mount Edgcumbe*, *George Henry* Earl *Cadogan*, *Richard Edmund Saint Lawrence* Earl of *Cork and Orrery*, *Valentine Augustus* Earl of *Kenmare*, *William Hale John Charles* Earl of *Limerick*, *Dudley Francis Stuart* Earl of *Harrowby*, *Adelbert Wellington Brownlow* Earl *Brownlow*, *Albert Edmund* Earl of *Morley*, *Orlando George Charles* Earl of *Bradford*, *Henry John* Earl of *Ducie*, *Charles Alfred Worsley* Earl of *Yarborough*, *John* Earl of *Kimberley*, *Thomas George* Earl of *Northbrook*, *Gathorne* Earl of *Cranbrook*, *Gilbert Henry* Earl of *Ancaster*, *William John* Viscount *Oxenbridge*; the Right Reverend Father in God and Our faithful Councillor *Frederick* Lord Bishop of *London*; Our well beloved and faithful Councillors *Robert George* Lord *Windsor*, *Alexander Hugh* Lord *Balfour of Burley*, *Charles John* Lord *Colville of Culross*, *Francis* Lord *Napier*, *George William Henry* Lord *Vernon*, *Henry George* Lord *Lovaine*, *Charles* Lord *Suffield*, *Charles Robert* Lord *Carrington*, *Thomas* Lord *Ribblesdale*, *William* Lord *Kensington*, *Augustus Frederick George Warwick* Lord *Poltimore*, *Charles Douglas Richard* Lord *Sudeley*, *William Henry* Lord *Leigh*, *Henry* Lord *Belper*, *Robert Offley Ashburton* Lord *Houghton*, *James Plaisted* Lord *Penzance*, *Chichester Samuel* Lord *Carlingford*, *Colin* Lord *Blackburn*, *Charles Bowyer* Lord *Norton*, *William* Lord *Watson*, *Edward* Lord *Tweedmouth*, *John George* Lord *Monk Bretton*, *Arthur* Lord *Hobhouse*, *Edward* Lord *Ashbourne*, *William Baliol* Lord *Esher*, *Farrer* Lord *Herschell*, *Richard de Aquila* Lord *Stalbridge*, *Edward* Lord *Macnaghten*, *Robert* Lord *Connemara*, *Henry Thurstan* Lord *Knutsford*, *John* Lord *Savile*, *Michael* Lord *Morris*, *William Ventris* Lord *Field*, *Henry John* Lord *Rookwood*, *Alexander Burns* Lord *Shand*, *George* Lord *Ashcombe*, *Lyon* Lord *Playfair*, *Charles* Lord *Russell of Killowen*, *Horace* Lord *Davey*, or any three of them, full power, in Our name, to begin and hold Our said Parliament, and to open and declare, and cause to be opened and declared, the causes of holding the same, and to proceed upon the said affairs in Our said Parliament, and in all matters arising therein, and to do everything which for Us and by Us, for the good government of Our said United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, and other Our dominions thereto belonging, shall be therein to be done; and also, if necessary, to continue, adjourn, and prorogue Our said Parliament: commanding also, by the tenor of these presents, with the assent of Our said Council, as well all and every the Archbishops, Bishops, Earls, Viscounts, Barons, and Knights, as all others whom it concerns to meet in Our said Parliament, that to the same Prince of *Wales*, Duke of *Connaught and Strathearn*, Duke of *York*, Duke of *Cambridge*, and others Our Councillors aforesaid, or any three of them, they diligently intend in the premises in the form aforesaid. In witness whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent. Witness Ourself at *Westminster*, the Tenth day of August, in the Fifty-ninth year of Our reign.

By the QUEEN Herself,
Signed with Her own Hand,
Muir Mackenzie.

And then the Lord Chancellor said,

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

House directed to choose a Speaker.

We have it in Command from Her Majesty to let you know, That as soon as the Members of both Houses shall be sworn, the causes of Her Majesty's calling this Parliament will be declared to you; and it being necessary a Speaker of the House of Commons should be first chosen, it is Her Majesty's pleasure that you, Gentlemen of the House of Commons, repair to the place where you are to sit, and there proceed to the choice of some proper person to be your Speaker: and that you present such person whom you shall so choose, here, To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock, for Her Majesty's Royal approbation.

And the House having returned;

Mr. Gully chosen Speaker.

The Right Honourable Sir *John Mowbray*, addressing himself to the Clerk (who standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down), proposed to the House for their Speaker the Right Honourable *William Court Gully*, and moved, "That the Right Honourable *William Court Gully* do take the Chair of this House as Speaker," which Motion was seconded by *John Edward Ellis*, Esquire.

The House then calling Mr. *William Court Gully* to the Chair, he stood up in his place, and expressed the sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself to the House.

The House then having again unanimously called Mr. *William Court Gully* to the Chair, he was taken out of his place by Sir *John Mowbray* and Mr. *John Edward Ellis*, and conducted to the Chair, and Mr. Speaker Elect, standing upon the upper step of the Chair, returned his humble acknowledgments to the House

House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by unanimously choosing him again to be their Speaker, and thereupon he sat down in the Chair; and then the Mace (which before lay under the Table) was laid upon the Table.

Whereupon Mr. *Balfour* and Sir *William Harcourt* congratulated Mr. Speaker Elect, and Mr. *Balfour* moved, "That this House do now adjourn."

Mr. Speaker Elect thereupon put the Question, which being agreed to:—

The House adjourned accordingly at a quarter before Three of the clock until To-morrow, and Mr. Speaker Elect went away without the Mace before him.

Tuesday, 13*th August*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

Mr. Speaker approved of by The Queen.

THE House being met; and Mr. Speaker elect having taken the Chair;

A Message was delivered by *Thomas Dacres Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod;

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker elect, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where he was presented to the said Lords Commissioners for Her Majesty's Royal approbation.

Then the Lord Chancellor, one of the said Lords Commissioners, signified Her Majesty's approbation of Mr. Speaker elect.

The House being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been in the House of Peers; where Her Majesty was pleased, by Her Commissioners, to approve of the choice the House had made of him to be their Speaker; and that he had in their name and on their behalf, by humble Petition to Her Majesty made claim to their ancient and undoubted Rights and Privileges, particularly to freedom from arrest and all molestation of their Persons; to freedom of Speech in Debate; to free access to Her Majesty when occasion shall require; and that the most favourable construction shall be put upon all their proceedings; which, he said, Her Majesty, by Her said Commissioners, had confirmed to them in as full and ample a manner as they have been heretofore granted or allowed by Her Majesty, or any of Her Royal Predecessors.

And then Mr. Speaker repeated his most respectful acknowledgments to the House for the high honour they had done him.

Mr. Speaker then put the House in mind, that their first duty was to take and subscribe the Oath required by Law.

Mr. Speaker takes the Oath.

Thereupon Mr. Speaker first alone, standing upon the upper step of the Chair, took and subscribed the Oath.

Members takes the Oath and make Affirmation.

Then several Members took and subscribed the Oath; and several other Members made and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Four of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 14*th August*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Members take the Oath.

SEVERAL other Members took and subscribed the Oath.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half-an-hour after Three of the clock, adjourned until To-morrow.

Thursday, 15*th August*, 1895.

THE House met at Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Message to attend the Lords Commissioners.

A MESSAGE was delivered by *Thomas Dacres Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Members take the Oath and make Affirmation.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at a quarter of an hour before Four of the clock; and several other Members took and subscribed the Oath; and several other Members made and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law.

Cavan (West Cavan Division) and Londonderry City Elections.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received a Letter from Mr. *Edmund Francis Vesey Knox*, returned as Member for the County of *Cavan* (*West Cavan* Division) and also for *Londonderry* City, making his election to serve for the City of *Londonderry*:—

Sir, 12th August 1895.

I beg to inform you that, having been elected for the *West Cavan* Division of the County of *Cavan* and for *Londonderry* City, it is my intention to sit for *Londonderry* City.

I have the honour to be
Yours faithfully,
Edmund Francis Vesey Knox.

To the Right Honourable The Speaker.

Elections.

Ordered, That all Members who are returned for two or more places in any part of the United Kingdom do make their election for which of the places they will serve, within one week after it shall appear that there is no question upon the Return for that place; and if anything shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate; and that all Members returned upon double Returns do withdraw till their Returns are determined.

Resolved, That no Peer of the Realm, except such Peers of *Ireland* as shall for the time being be actually elected, and shall not have declined to serve, for any County, City, or Borough of *Great Britain*, hath any right to give his vote in the Election of any Member to serve in Parliament.

Resolved, That it is a high infringement of the liberties and privileges of the Commons of the United Kingdom for any Lord of Parliament, or other Peer or Prelate, not being a Peer of *Ireland* at the time elected, and not having declined to serve for any County, City, or Borough of *Great Britain*, to concern himself in the Election of Members to serve for the Commons in Parliament,

ment, except only any Peer of *Ireland*, at such Elections in *Great Britain* respectively where such Peer shall appear as a Candidate, or by himself, or any others, be proposed to be elected; or for any Lord Lieutenant or Governor of any county to avail himself of any authority derived from his Commission, to influence the Election of any Member to serve for the Commons in Parliament.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by Bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such Bribery or other corrupt practices.

Witnesses.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been tampering with any Witness, in respect of his evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly hath endeavoured to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving evidence, the same is declared to be a high crime and misdemeanor; and this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath given false evidence in any case before this House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Metropolitan Police.

Ordered, That the Commissioners of the Police of the Metropolis do take care that, during the Session of Parliament, the passages through the Streets leading to this House be kept free and open, and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, and that no disorder be allowed in *Westminster* Hall, or in the passages leading to this House, during the sitting of Parliament, and that there be no annoyance therein or thereabouts; and that the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioners aforesaid.

Votes and Proceedings.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Privileges.

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

Outlawries Bill.

A Bill for the more effectual preventing Clandestine Outlawries was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Journal.

Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index thereto, be printed.

Ordered, That 750 Copies of the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir *Reginald Francis Douce Palgrave*, K.C.B., the Clerk of this House.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by such Person as shall be licensed by Mr. Speaker, and that no other Person do presume to print the same.

National Debt.

The Order made upon the 6th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, That the Paper relative to the National Debt, which was then presented to the House, do lie upon the Table, was read, and discharged.

Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, Local Taxation (Customs and Excise) Act, 1890, and Education and Local Taxation (Scotland) Act, 1892.

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of (1) Return showing the Allocation and Application of the Contributions out of the Local Taxation (*Scotland*) Account, under Section 22, Sub-section (i) of the Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Highland Grant); Section 2, Sub-section (iii) (b) of the Local Taxation (Customs and Excise) Act, 1890 (Residue Grant) and Section 2, Sub-section (v) of the Education and Local Taxation Account (*Scotland*) Act, 1892 (Equivalent Grant), accompanied by (2) Summary of the Total Payments into and out of the Local Taxation (*Scotland*) Account for the financial year ended 31st March 1893.

Fishery Board (Scotland.)

Copy of Thirteenth Annual Report of the Fishery Board for *Scotland*, being for the year 1894 (Part III., Scientific Investigations).

Lunacy (Scotland.)

Copy of Thirty-seventh Annual Report of the General Board of Commissioners in Lunacy for *Scotland*.

Prisons (Scotland.)

Copy of Seventeenth Annual Report of the Prison Commissioners for *Scotland*, being the Fifty-sixth Annual Report on Prisons in *Scotland*, 1894-95.

Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 147.) No. 403.

The Lord Advocate also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance made by the *Scottish* Universities Commissioners under the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, with regard to Regulations with regard to Matriculated Students (Ordinance, No. 147, General No. 32).

Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1867 (Cholera Regulations.)

Copy of Order by the Secretary for *Scotland* continuing for a further period of Six Months the Order putting in force Part III. of the Public Health (*Scotland*) Act, 1867.

Lunacy (Scotland.)

Copy of General Rules made by the *Lanark* District Lunacy Board for the Government of the District Asylum at *Hartwood*.

Local Taxation (Scotland.)

Copy of the Annual Local Taxation Returns for *Scotland*, for the year 1893-94.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to the Universities (*Scotland*) Act, 1889 (Ordinance, No. 147), be printed.

Army (Royal Military Academy, Woolwich.)

Mr. *Brodrick* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Board of Visitors of the Royal Military Academy, *Woolwich*, for 1895.

Army (Royal Military College, Sandhurst.)

Copy of Report of the Board of Visitors of the Royal Military College, *Sandhurst*, for 1895.

Army (Militia.)

Mr. *Brodrick* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Further Regulations relating to the Militia.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Public Records.

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifty-sixth Annual Report of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Copy of Report by Mr. *R. Hunter Pringle*, Assistant Commissioner (Royal Commission on Agriculture), on the Counties of *Bedford*, *Huntingdon*, and *Northampton*.

Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland.)

Copy of Fiftieth Annual Report of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for *Ireland*.

Matrimonial Causes Act, 1878 (Separation Orders.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 13th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing, for each Town in *England* and *Wales* with a population by the last Census of more than 150,000, and, in the case of the Metropolis, for each Police Court Division, the Number of Separation Orders granted under the Matrimonial

monial Causes Act, 1878, in the years 1888, 1889, 1890, and in the years 1892, 1893, 1894; with a Summary for each year.

Municipal Corporations (New Charters) (Colne.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Charter of Incorporation for the Borough of *Colne*, under the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882.

Polling Districts (London) (Newington Division.)

Copy of Order made by the Justices of the *Newington* Division, altering the Polling Districts for the Parliamentary Borough of *Newington*.

Polling Districts (Tower Hamlets) (Poplar Division.)

Copy of Order made by the *London* County Council, re-arranging the Polling Districts of the *Poplar* Division.

Polling Districts (Camberwell) (Peckham Division.)

Copy of Order made by the *London* County Council, correcting the descriptions of the Boundaries of the Polling Districts of the *Peckham* Division of the Borough of *Camberwell*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Estimates, 1895-96.) No. 404.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for Civil Services and Revenue Departments for the year ending 31st March 1896, with Memorandum by the late Financial Secretary to the Treasury.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments (Supplementary Estimate, 1895-96.) No. 405.

Estimate of the Sums required to be voted for the Service of the year ending 31st March 1896, in addition to the Sums provided in the Estimates presented in the current year.

Army, Navy, Civil Services, and Revenue Departments, 1895-96. No. 406.

Copy of Statement of the Amounts already voted and Balances remaining to be voted for the year ending 31st March 1896, for the Army, Navy, Civil Services, and Revenue Departments.

National Debt.

Copy of Return showing (1) the Aggregate Gross Liabilities of the State as represented by the Nominal Funded Debt, Estimated Capital Value of Terminable Annuities, Unfunded Debt, and other Liabilities in respect of Debt, the Estimated Assets, and the Exchequer Balances, at the close of each Financial Year from 1835-6 to 1894-5, both inclusive; and (2) the Gross and Net Expenditure charged annually during that period against the Public Revenue on account of the National Debt, and other Payments connected with Capital Liabilities (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 312, of Session 1894).

Post Office (Parcel Post with Egypt.)

Copy of Agreement between the *British* and *Egyptian* Post Offices concerning the Exchange of Parcels by Parcel Post.

South Kensington Museum (Attendants and Messengers.)

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing all those Attendants, Messengers, and Technical Assistants who have been superannuated from the Science and Art Department since 1890, and specifying in each case the effect on the Award of the Deduction from Wages made in 1890.

Arklow Harbour.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the *Arklow* Harbour Commissioners for the year ended 31st December 1894, and a Statement of Accounts for the same period.

County Courts.

Copy of Order of the Treasury approved by the Lord Chancellor, dated the 3rd May 1895, relating to County Court Fees.

Superannuations.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 23rd July 1895, declaring that for the due and efficient discharge of the duties of the Office of Assistant Solicitor to the Board of Trade qualifications not ordinarily to be acquired in the Public Service are necessary.

Superannuation Act, 1859.

Copy of Treasury Minute, under the Superannuation Act, 1859, dated the 6th December 1894, granting Compensation Allowances to Mr. *John Cheyne*, Mr. *Andrew Jameson*, and Mr. *Henry Johnston*, late Members of the Board of Supervision, *Scotland*.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Copies of Treasury Minutes, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, declaring that the undermentioned persons were appointed to the Offices set against their Names without a Civil Service Certificate, through inadvertence on the part of the Heads of their Departments, *viz.*:—

John Cragg, Fitter, Royal Gun Factory, War Office, dated 26th July 1895;

W. G. Wagstaff, Consul General at *Rio de Janeiro*, Foreign Office, dated 12th July 1895;

Sir *John Stokes*. *British* Director of the *Suez* Canal Company, Foreign Office, dated 20th July 1895;

William Henry Strutt, Counter Clerk, Post Office, dated 9th July 1895.

Superannuation Act, 1887.

Copy of Treasury Minute, under the Superannuation Act, 1887, dated the 4th July 1895, granting a Retired Allowance to *George Thomas Schofield*, Second Division Clerk, higher grade, Admiralty.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates, Supplementary Estimate, and Paper relative to Army, Navy, Civil Services, and Revenue Departments, 1895-96, be printed.

Prisons (Ireland.)

Mr. *Gerald Balfour* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council approving of Rules made by the General Prisons Board for *Ireland*, dated 2nd May 1895, for the Government of Convict Prisons in *Ireland*.

Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1885 (Kilmeague School and Perceval Endowment.)

Copy of Scheme for the Management of the *Kilmeague* School and *Perceval* Endowments under the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Act, 1885.

Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1885 (Viscount Limerick's Endowment, Dundalk.)

Copy of Scheme for the Management of the Viscount *Limerick*'s Endowment, *Dundalk*, under the Educational Endowments (*Ireland*) Act, 1885.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Small Holdings Act, 1892. No. 407.

Mr. *Walter Long* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing for each County (a) the Number and Date of the Petitions (if any) presented under Section 5 of the Act, with a Copy of the Resolutions of the County Council thereon; (b) the Amount of Land (if any) acquired under Section 3 of the Act, with the Parish or Parishes in which the same is situate; (c) the Number of Small Holdings provided, with the Acreage of each Holding and the Terms of Sale or Letting, as the case may be.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Railways.)

Secretary Lord *George Hamilton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Administration Report on Railways in *India*, for the year 1894-95; by Lieutenant Colonel *T. Gracey*, R.E., Officiating Director General of Railways in *India*.

East India (Sanitary Measures.)

Copy of Report on Sanitary Measures in *India* in 1893-94. Vol. XXVII.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Bankruptcy.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Twelfth General Annual Report by the Board of Trade on Bankruptcy, in pursuance of Section 131 of "The Bankruptcy Act, 1883."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Royal Parks and Gardens (Hyde Park.)

Mr. *Akers-Douglas* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Cancellation, dated 12th August 1895, of Rules for *Hyde Park*, dated 21st July 1888.

Royal Parks and Gardens (Hyde Park.)

Copy of Rules for *Hyde Park*, dated 12th August 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. Secretary *Chamberlain* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Annual Reports for 1894, Nos. 139 (*Bahamas*), 140 (*Barbados*), 141 (*Turks* and *Caicos Islands*), 142 (*Malta*), 143 (*Gambia*), 144 (*Windward Islands*).

Prisons (West Indies) (Trinidad.)

Mr. Secretary *Chamberlain* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Prisons in *Trinidad*.

Prisons (West Indies) (Windward Islands, Grenada.)

Copy of Additional Prison Rule regulating the Duties of the Master Tailor at the *Richmond Hill* Prison, *Windward Islands*, *Grenada*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts, and Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889.

No. 408.

Sir *John Gorst* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Scheme, under the Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts, and the *Welsh* Intermediate Education Act, 1889, for the Management of the Funds contributed for the purposes of the Central *Welsh* Board by the Governing Bodies established, or to be established, by Schemes for the Administrative Counties of *Anglesey*, *Brecknock*, *Cardigan*, *Carmarthen*, *Carnarvon*, *Denbigh*, *Flint*, *Glamorgan*, *Merioneth*, *Monmouth*, *Montgomery*, *Pembroke*, and *Radnor*, and the County Boroughs of *Cardiff*, *Newport*, and *Swansea*, in the matter of the Funds applicable to the same purposes, out of Moneys provided by Parliament, in the matter of the *Meyrick* Fund, in the matter of the part of *Betton*'s Charity (Schools Account) applicable in *Wales* and the County of *Monmouth*.

Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts, and Welsh Intermediate Education Act, 1889.

Copy of Scheme, under the Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and Amending Acts, and the *Welsh* Intermediate Education Act, 1889, for the Management of the Funds applicable to the Intermediate and Technical Education of the Inhabitants of the County of *Glamorgan* in the matter of the Foundation of *Edward Lewis* for a School at *Gelligaer*, &c., *Alldworth*'s Foundation at *Eglwysilan*, and the *Cowbridge* Grammar School, &c.

Foreign Marriage Act, 1892.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Foreign Marriage Act, 1892, dated 29th June 1895, entitled the Foreign Marriages Order in Council, 1895.

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 29th June 1895, approving certain Bye-laws made by the Trinity House of *Newcastle-on-Tyne* in respect of the Pilotage Rates for *Blyth* Harbour.

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 29th June 1895, approving certain Bye-laws made by the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board as to Contribution towards the Pilotage Funds of the *Liverpool* District by the Masters and Mates of Vessels holding Pilotage Certificates.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford.)

No. 409.

Copy of Statute made by the Convocation of *Oxford* University, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, on 12th March 1895, amending the Statute of the University concerning Boards of Faculties.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford.)

No. 410.

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of *Exeter* College, *Oxford*, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, on 25th January 1895, amending Statutes II., III., IV., and V. of the Statutes of the College.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Oxford.)

No. 411.

Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of *Jesus* College, *Oxford*, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, on 2nd May 1895, altering and amending Statute 4, Clauses 1, 19, 22, 23, 31, and 36, and Statute 9, Clause 7, of the College Statutes.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge.)

No. 412.

Copy of Statute made by the University of *Cambridge*, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, on the 8th February 1895, altering Statute A., Chapter VI., of the Statutes of the University.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge.)

No. 413.

Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of *Jesus* College, *Cambridge*, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, on the 18th December 1894, altering and amending Statutes XV. and XX. of the College Statutes.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act, 1877 (Cambridge.)

No. 414.

Copy of Statute made by the Governing Body of *Magdalene* College, *Cambridge*, under the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, on the 18th March 1895, amending Statute XII. of the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to the Endowed Schools Act, 1869, and amending Acts, and *Welsh* Intermediate Education Act, 1869, and the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Act, 1877, be printed.

Treaty Series (No. 10, 1895.)

Mr. *Curzon* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaty of Commerce between *Great Britain* and *Servia*. Signed at *Belgrade* $\frac{28\text{th June}}{10\text{th July}}$ 1893. [Ratifications exchanged at *Belgrade*, $\frac{4}{16}$ October 1893.] With a List of *British* Colonies and Foreign Possessions which have acceded thereto under Article VI.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1583 to 1615.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copies of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, Nos. 371 to 377.

Africa (No. 8, 1895.)

Copy of Report of the Committee appointed to consider the question of Railway Communication with *Uganda*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Charity Commission (County Merioneth Endowments.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners, in the result of an Inquiry held in every Parish wholly or partly within the County of *Merioneth* into Endowments, subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1894, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that County, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for Inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing, in the case of each such Parish, whether any, and, if any, what, such Endowments are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners in the Parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Reports.

Caledonian Canal.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Ninetieth Report of the Commissioners of the *Caledonian* Canal.

Loan Societies.

Abstracts of Accounts of Loan Societies in *England* and *Wales*, to the 31st December 1894, furnished to the Central Office for the Registry of Friendly Societies.

Copy

Lunacy.

Copy of Report to the Lord Chancellor of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the Visitors of Lunatics, pursuant to the Lunacy Act, 1890, between the 1st January and the 30th June 1895.

Lunacy.

Copy of Return to the Lord Chancellor of the Number of Visits made and the Number of Patients seen by the several Commissioners in Lunacy during the six months ending on the 30th June 1895.

Post Office (Australian Mail Contracts.) No. 415.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copy of Contracts, dated the 30th day of January 1895, which have been entered into with the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company and the Orient Steam Navigation Company for the conveyance of Mails to and from *Australia*, and of Treasury Minute thereon.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper lie upon the Table; and be printed.

John Daly. No. 416.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That there be laid before this House, a Certified Copy of the Conviction, Judgment, and Sentence in the case of the Queen against *John Daly*, tried at the Assizes and General Delivery of the Gaol of our Lady the Queen, holden at *Warwick* on the 29th of July 1884; also a Certificate from the Governor of *Portland* Prison, that the said *John Daly* is still imprisoned under the said Sentence—(Mr. Attorney General);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 314.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *William Redmond*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*: } 77.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Attorney General accordingly presented the said Papers.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Papers be taken into consideration upon Monday next, and be printed—(Mr. Attorney General):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Original Question being put.

Ordered, That the said Papers be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Cavan (West Cavan Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Cavan*, West *Cavan* Division, in the room of *Edmund Francis Vesey Knox*, who having been returned as a Member for the said County of *Cavan*, West *Cavan* Division, and also for the City of *Londonderry*, hath elected to sit for the City of *Londonderry*.—(Captain *Donelan*.)

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *London* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade under the Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 and 1888, relating to a portion of the Parish of *Kensington Saint Mary Abbotts*, and to the *Saint Olave* and *Strand* Districts, in the County of *London*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Tottenham) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Education Department under the Elementary Education Act, 1870, to enable the School Board for *Tottenham* to put in force the Lands Clauses Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870, relating to *Barnstaple* Gas, *Bognor* Gas, *Felixstowe* Gas, and *Kildwick* Parish Gas; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords*.]

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made by the Board of Trade, under the Gas and Waterworks Facilities Act, 1870, relating to *Llanberis* Gas and Water, *Newark* Gas, and *Rothwell* Gas; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Provisional Order Bills.

The House was moved that the Standing Orders of the House of the 2nd day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, relating to Provisional Order Bills suspended in the last Session of Parliament might be read, and the same were read.

Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*London*) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill [*Lords*]

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Tottenham) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Tottenham*) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next.

Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords*.]

The Gas Orders Confirmation Bill was read the first and second time; and committed.

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords*.]

The Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill was read the first and second time; and committed.

Mr. Speaker reports Her Majesty's Speech.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been at the House of Peers, at the desire of the Lords Commissioners appointed under the Great Seal for holding this present Parliament, and that the Lord High Chancellor, being one of the said Commissioners, delivered Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament, in pursuance of Her Majesty's Commands; and of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a Copy; which he read to the House, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The communications which I receive from Foreign Powers assure me of the continuance of their good-will. I am happy to say that no international complication has arisen in any quarter

quarter which is calculated to endanger the peace of *Europe*.

The war between *China* and *Japan*, which was in progress at the opening of last Session, has been brought to a conclusion by a peace which I trust will be enduring. I have observed a strict neutrality during the war, and have taken no action in respect to it except such as appeared to Me likely to be favourable to the termination of hostilities.

I deeply regret to say that most atrocious outrages upon a body of *English* Missionaries have been reported from the Province of *Fukien*, in *China*. In reply to earnest representations addressed to the *Chinese* Government by My directions, active measures, which I trust will prove effective, are being taken for the punishment of the murderers and of all persons who are in any degree responsible for these crimes.

Internal troubles have broken out in the *Armenian* districts of *Asiatic Turkey*, and have been attended with horrors which have moved the indignation of the Christian nations of *Europe* generally, and of My people especially. My Ambassador, and the Ambassadors of the Emperor of *Russia* and of the President of the *French* Republic, acting together, have suggested to the Government of the Sultan the reforms which, in their opinion, are necessary to prevent a recurrence of constant disorder. These proposals are now being considered by his Imperial Majesty the Sultan, and I am anxiously awaiting his decision.

A Resolution has been passed by both Houses of the Parliament of My Colony of the *Cape of Good Hope*, proposing that the adjacent Crown Colony of *British Bechuanaland* should be incorporated with the *Cape* Colony. I have, in reply, signified my willingness to consider favourably an Act passed for that purpose, provided it contains proper safeguards for my interests and for those of My Native subjects, especially in the matter of their lands, the liquor traffic, and the maintenance of their own system of justice.

I have received satisfactory assurances on these points, and an Act has been passed by the *Cape* Parliament which I have every reason to expect will be found to fulfil My requirements.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The Estimates for the service of the year which were not voted in the last Parliament will be laid before you.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

At this season of the year it will probably be found more convenient to defer to another Session the consideration of any important legislative measures except those which are necessary to provide for the administrative charges of the year.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the most gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Legh*);

Irish Policy of the Government.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "And humbly to represent to Your Majesty that this House is of opinion that it is "the duty of Your Majesty's Ministers to "declare without delay their policy with regard "to the questions of Home Rule, Land Law "Reform (including amendment of the existing "Land Acts and compulsory Land Purchase), "Reinstatement of the Evicted Tenants, and "the industrial condition of *Ireland*, in all which "matters the overwhelming majority of the *Irish* "People is vitally interested."—(Mr. *John Redmond*.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said proposed Amendment, by leaving out all the words after the words "Ministers to," to the end thereof, and adding the words "propose immediate legislation to carry out the recommendations of the Select Committee of last year upon the *Irish* Land Acts, for the revision of those Judicial Rents which have been declared by the Committee to be excessive, and to make provision for the restoration on equitable terms of certain Evicted Tenants in *Ireland* to their holdings."—(Mr. *Dillon*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Member suspended.

Dr. *Tanner*, Member for *Mid Cork*, having been named by Mr. Speaker for disorderly interruption of the Debate and for disregarding the authority of the Chair;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Dr. *Tanner* be suspended from the service of the House—(Mr. Secretary *Chamberlain*):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then Mr. Speaker directed Dr. *Tanner* to withdraw, and he withdrew accordingly.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—The House resumed the Debate.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. *Lough*):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Member takes the Oath.

One other Member took and subscribed the Oath.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Five minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 16*th August*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Members take the Oath and make Affirmation.

SEVERAL other Members took and subscribed the Oath, and one other Member made and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law.

Private Bills.

The House was moved, That the Standing Orders of the 2nd day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for the Suspension of Private Bills, or Bills to confirm any Provisional Order or Certificate, be now read, and that the same be held applicable to the next Session of Parliament, excepting in the case of certain Bills to confirm Provisional Orders or Certificates suspended in the last Session of Parliament under the said Orders, and which are proceeded with under the said Orders and disposed of in the present Session—(Mr. *Mellor*); and the same being read:—

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Brine Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 9th day of April, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the *Brine* Pumping (Compensation for Subsidence) Provisional Order Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second, and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 29th day of April, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second, and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 13th day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second, and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Order (No 10) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 28th day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second, and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 31st day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second, and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 31st day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 31st day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second, and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 11th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second, and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 11th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second, and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 6th day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first, second, and third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 17th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first and second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 18th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first and second time; and committed.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 21) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 20th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 21) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first and second time; and committed.

Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 18th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for leave to bring in the Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

The said Bill was read the first and second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Local Taxation (Scotland). No. 417.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Local Taxation (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant August, be printed.

Bankruptcy. No. 418.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Bankruptcy, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant August, be printed.

Charity Commission (County *Merioneth* Endowments.) No. 419.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Charity Commission (County *Merioneth* Endowments), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant August, be printed.

Caledonian Canal. No 420.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the *Caledonian* Canal, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant August, be printed.

Gain Sharing, &c.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by the Labour Department of the Board of Trade on Gain Sharing and certain other systems of Bonus on Production.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army (Estimates 1895-6.) No. 421.

Mr. *Brodrick* presented, by Her Majesty's Command —Copy of Army Estimates of Effective and Non-Effective Services for 1895-96.

Army (Supplementary Estimate, 1895-6.) No. 422.

Estimate of the Further Amount that will be required during the year ending 31st March 1896, to meet Expenditure not sufficiently provided for in the original Army Estimates for the year.

Army (Special Pensions.)

Copy of Return, for the year ended 31st March 1895, of Pensions specially granted under Articles 1119 B, 1134, and 1183 of the Army Pay and Promotion Warrant.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates be printed.

Navy (Estimates, 1895-6.) No. 423.

Mr. *Goschen* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Navy Estimates for the year 1895-96, with Explanatory Observations by the Financial Secretary and Explanation of Differences.

Naval Savings Banks.

Mr. *Goschen* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Deposits in Naval Savings Banks and the Payments thereof, and of Interest thereon, of all Investments under "The Naval Savings Banks Act, 1866," and the application of the Interest or Dividends accruing in respect thereof; and of the Proceeds of any Sale of any Stocks, Annuities, or Securities during the financial year 1893-94.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates be printed.

Local Government Act, 1888.

Mr. *Chaplin* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made by the County Councils, or Joint Committees of County Councils, of various Counties in *England* and *Wales*, under the Local Government Act, 1888, and confirmed by the Local Government Board.

Local Government Act, 1888.

Copies of Orders made by the Local Government Board, under Section 57 of the Local Government Act, 1888, for amending Orders of various County Councils, &c.

Housing of the Working Classes Act; 1890 (Borough of Wolverhampton.)

Copy of Statement of Further Modification permitted by the Local Government Board to be made in the *Wolverhampton* Improvement Scheme, 1877.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 11. 1895.)

Mr. *Curzon* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between *Great Britain* and the *Netherlands*, submitting to Arbitration the Claims arising out of the Arrest of the Captain of the "*Costa Rica*" Packet of *Sydney*. Signed at the *Hague*, 16th May 1895. Ratifications exchanged at the *Hague*, 20th July 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Monaghan County Election Returns (North Monaghan Division, South Monaghan Division.)

Notice being taken by Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, Member for the Western Division of *Kerry*, of certain Errors in the Returns to the Writs for the Election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the North and the South Divisions of the County of *Monaghan*, namely, that the Return of Mr. *James Daly*, of *Main Street, Carrickmacross*, as Member for South *Monaghan* had been erroneously endorsed on the Writ for North *Monaghan*; and that the Name of Mr. *Daniel Macaleese*, of *Monaghan*, had been by error inserted in the Return for South *Monaghan*, whereas he had been in fact elected for North *Monaghan*; and Mr. *Daly* and Mr. *Macaleese* having confirmed the statement of Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, which was further corroborated of his own knowledge by Mr. *Molloy*, Member for the *Birr* Division of *King's County*;

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Crown do attend this House forthwith with the last Returns for the County of *Monaghan*, and amend the same by striking out in the Return for the North *Monaghan* Division the word "South," and inserting the word "North," and striking out the words "*James Daly*, of *Main Street, Carrickmacross*," and inserting the words "*Daniel Macaleese* of *Monaghan*," and the Return for the South *Monaghan* Division, by striking out the words "*Daniel Macaleese* of *Monaghan*," and inserting the words "*James Daly*, of *Main Street, Carrickmacross*."

Clerk of the Crown attends and amends Returns.

The Clerk of the Crown attending amended the Returns accordingly.

Law Officers (Salaries, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Sums paid in Salaries and Fees to the Law Officers of the Crown in *England*, *Ireland*, and *Scotland* since 1880:——And, Copies of any Treasury Minutes relating to the remuneration of the Law Officers of the Crown. —(Mr. *Sydney Buxton*.)

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Municipal Franchise in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Justin M'Carthy*, Mr. *Pinkerton*, Mr. *Thomas B. Curran*, and Mr. *Maurice Healy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Municipal Franchise (Ireland) Bill. Bill 1.

Mr. *Timothy M. Healy* accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Municipal Franchise in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 15th day of this instant August, was proposed to be made to the Amendment proposed to the Main Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Legh*);

Irish Policy of the Government.

And which Amendment was, at the end of the Question, to add the words, "And humbly to "represent to Your Majesty that this House is "of opinion that it is the duty of Your Majesty's "Ministers to declare without delay their policy "with regard to the questions of Home Rule, "Land Law Reform (including amendment of "the existing Land Acts and compulsory Land "Purchase), Reinstatement of the Evicted "Tenants, and the industrial condition of *Ireland*, "in all which matters the overwhelming majority "of the *Irish* People is vitally interested."—(Mr. *John Redmond*.)

And which Amendment to the proposed Amendment was to leave out all the words after the words "Ministers to," to the end thereof, in order to add the words "propose "immediate legislation to carry out the recom- "mendations of the Select Committee of last "year

"year upon the *Irish* Land Acts, for the revision "of those Judicial Rents which have been de- "clared by the Committee to be excessive, and "to make provision for the restoration on "equitable terms of certain Evicted Tenants in "*Ireland* to their holdings."—(Mr. *Dillon*.)

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put, That the words "declare without delay their policy with regard "to the questions of Home Rule, Land Law "Reform (including amendment of the existing "Land Acts and compulsory Land Purchase), "Reinstatement of the Evicted Tenants, and "the industrial condition of *Ireland*, in all which "matters the overwhelming majority of the "*Irish* People is vitally interested," stand part of the proposed Amendment;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*, Mr. *William Redmond*: } 257.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, Captain *Donelan*: } 123.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the words "And humbly to represent to Your Majesty "that this House is of opinion that it is the duty "of Your Majesty's Ministers to declare without "delay their policy with regard to the questions "of Home Rule, Land Law Reform (including "amendment of the existing Land Acts and "compulsory Land Purchase), Reinstatement of "the Evicted Tenants, and the industrial con- "dition of *Ireland*, in all which matters the "overwhelming majority of the *Irish* People is "vitally interested," be added to the Main Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*, Mr. *William Redmond*: } 113.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 243.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words, "And we humbly represent to Your "Majesty that the time has come when the cases "of all prisoners convicted under the Treason "Felony Act who are, and have been for many "years, undergoing punishment for offences "arising out of insurrectionary movements con- "nected with *Ireland*, may be advantageously "re-considered."—(Mr. *Clancy*.)

Treason Felony Act.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words, "But we humbly beg to draw the "attention of Your Majesty to the existing "widespread depression in agriculture, and "submit that it would be expedient to pass re- "medial measures during the present year."—(Mr. *Price*.)

Agricultural Depression.

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Resolved, That this House, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Adjournment.

One other Member took and subscribed the Oath required by Law.

Member takes the Oath.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Midnight, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 19*th August*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

SEVERAL other Members took and subscribed the Oath.

Members take the Oath.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, *viz.*:—

Provisional Order Bills [*Lords*] (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with.)

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*London*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*Tottenham*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Elementary Education Provisional Order Confirmation (Tottenham) Bill [*Lords*.]

Ordered, That Standing Orders 208A and 211 be suspended in the case of Bills to confirm any Provisional Order or Certificate proceeded with in the present Session under the Standing Orders of the 2nd July last.

Provisional Order Bills.

Ordered, That the said Bills be referred to a Committee consisting of the Chairman of Ways and Means, Sir *John Mowbray*, and a Referee.

Ordered, That Two be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.—(Mr. *Mellor*.)

Ordered, That the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19) Bill and the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20) Bill be committed to the Committee on Provisional and Order Bills appointed this day.—(Mr. *T. W. Russell*.)

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19) Bill and Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20) Bill.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Naval Savings Banks, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant August, be printed.

Naval Savings Banks. No. 424.

Mr. *Gerald Balfour* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of the Number of Agrarian Outrages, which were reported to the Inspector General of the Royal *Irish* Constabulary, during the Quarter ended 30th June 1895.

Agrarian Outrages (Ireland.)

Copy of Return of the Number of Evictions from Agricultural Holdings which have come to the knowledge of the Constabulary, and also of the Number of the Tenancies determined in *Ireland*. in the Quarter ended 30th June 1895.

Evictions (Ireland.)

Mr. *Gerald Balfour* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Seven General Orders issued by the Local

Local Government Board (Ireland) (General Orders.)

Local Government Board for *Ireland* between the 1st April and 1st July 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Tithe Rent-Charge (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty Command,—Copy of Memorandum prepared by the Treasury respecting Tithe Rent-Charge in *Ireland*.

Post Office.

Copy of Forty-first Report of the Postmaster General on the Post Office.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Railways (Signal Arrangements and Systems of Working.)

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return by Railway Companies in the United Kingdom relative to (1) the Interlocking and Concentrating of Signal and Point Levers, &c., and (2) the System or Systems upon which the Lines of Railway under their control were worked on 31st December 1894.

Merchant Seamen's Fund.

Mr. *Ritchie* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Receipt and Expenditure under the Seamen's Fund Winding-up Act, from 1st January to 30th December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Charitable Endowments (London.)

No. 425.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of August 1894, for a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners, in the result of an Inquiry held in every Parish wholly or partly within the Administrative County of *London* into Endowments, subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1891, and appropriated in whole or in part for the benefit of that County, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing in the case of each such Parish whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners in the Parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Reports.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

Member takes the Oath.

One other Member took and subscribed the Oath.

Business of the House (Government Business.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That for the remainder of the Session no Notice of Motion for leave to bring in a Bill be given except by a Minister of the Crown: that Government Business do have precedence every day, be not interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed: that whenever the Committee of Supply stands as an Order of the Day Mr. Speaker do leave the Chair without Question put; and that so soon as Government Business has been disposed of Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put—(Mr. *Balfour*);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 4, by leaving out the words "be not interrupted under the provisions of any "Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the "House, and may be entered upon at any hour "though opposed."—(Mr. *Knox*.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: 271.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Knox*, Mr. *Herbert Lewis*: 87.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 8, by inserting after the word "put," the words "unless, on first going "into Supply on the Army, Navy, or Civil "Service Estimates respectively, or on any "Vote of Credit, an Amendment be moved or "Question raised relating to the Estimates pro-"posed to be taken in Supply."—(Mr. *Gibson Bowles*.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Gibson Bowles*, Mr. *Flynn*: 106.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: 259.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: 238.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, Captain *Donelan*: 110.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being accordingly put, That for the remainder of the Session no Notice of Motion for leave to bring in a Bill be given except by a Minister of the Crown: that Government Business do have precedence every day, be not interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed: that whenever the Committee of Supply stands as an Order of the Day Mr. Speaker do leave the Chair without Question put; and that so soon as Government Business has been disposed of, Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: 248.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir *Thomas Esmonde*, Captain *Donelan*: 100.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That for the remainder of the Session no Notice of Motion for leave to bring in a Bill be given except by a Minister of the Crown: that Government Business do have precedence every day, be not interrupted under the provisions of any Standing Order regulating the Sittings of the House, and may be entered upon at any hour though opposed: that whenever the Committee of Supply stands as an Order of the Day Mr. Speaker do leave the Chair without Question put; and that so soon as Government Business has been disposed of Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without Question put.

Expiring Laws Continuance.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to

to continue various Expiring Laws.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Mr. Speaker puts the Question for the Adjournment of Debate, pursuant to S. O. 16.

And, the Motion being opposed, Mr. Speaker put the Question, That the Debate be now adjourned, in pursuance of Standing Order No. 16.

And the Question being agreed to;

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed To-morrow.

Limerick Election (John Daly.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Order of the Day (*Limerick* Election (*John Daly*) be deferred until after the Order for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment to the Motion for an Address in answer to Her Majesty's Speech—(Mr. *Balfour*):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the said Order be deferred till To-morrow.

Queen's Speech (Motion for Address.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 16th day of this instant August, was proposed to be made to the Main Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament—(Mr. *Legh*);

Agricultural Depression.

And which Amendment was, at the end of the Question, to add the words "But we humbly beg "to draw the attention of Your Majesty to the "existing widespread depression in agriculture, "and submit that it would be expedient to pass "remedial measures during the present year"—(Mr. *Price*);

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there added:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Lambert*: } 105.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 236.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock;

Tuesday, 20*th August*, 1895:

Unemployed.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "But humbly express our "regret, especially in view of the urgent re-"presentations recently made by Lord *Salis-"bury*, that Your Majesty's Ministers have not "intimated an intention to take steps to mitigate "the evils arising from want of employment."—(Mr. *Pickersgill*.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Speaker declines to propose a Question (Abuse of Rules.)

Captain *Norton* moved, "That the Debate be now adjourned," but Mr. Speaker being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House:—Then the House resumed the said Debate.

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Pickersgill*, Mr. *Lough*: } 79.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 211

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

And the Question being put, "That the Question be now put";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 206.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Dalziel*: } 73.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, "That the Debate be now adjourned";

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Lough*, Mr. *Kearley*: } 69.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 212.

So it passed in the Negative.

Main Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. *Balfour* claimed, "That the Main Question be now put."

And the Main Question being accordingly put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 217.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Lough*, Mr. *Kearley*: } 63.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in Parliament assembled, beg leave to thank Your Majesty for the Most Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Supply.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House will this day resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty—(Mr. *Hanbury*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: 215.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Morton*: 50.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Estimates referred.

Ordered, That the several Estimates presented to this House during the present Session be referred to the Committee of Supply.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Ways and Means.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty—(Mr. *Hanbury*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: 211.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Morton*: 51.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, it being then twenty minutes after Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

Tuesday, 20th August, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Members take the Oath.

SEVERAL other Members took and subscribed the Oath.

Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill [*Lords*.]

The Electric Lighting Provisional Orders (No. 4) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Merchant Seamen's Fund. No. 426.

Ordered, That the Account relative the Merchant Seamen's Fund, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant August, be printed.

Inland Revenue.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-eighth Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Inland Revenue, for the year ended 31st March 1895; with Appendix.

Fee Fund (House of Lords.)

Account of the Fee Fund of the House of Lords for the year ended 31st March 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Railway and Canal Traffic Acts, 1888 to 1894 (Orders.)

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Order made by the Board of Trade, pursuant to Section 1, Sub-section (5), of the Railway and Canal Traffic Act, 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 12, 1895.)

Mr. *Curzon* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between *Great Britain* and the *Netherlands*, defining the Boundaries between the *British* and *Netherland* Possessions in the Island of *New Guinea*. Signed at the *Hague*, 16th May 1895. Ratifications exchanged at the *Hague*, 20th July 1895.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1616 to 1625.

Trade Reports (Miscellaneous Series.)

Copy of Reports on Subjects of General and Commercial Interest, No. 378.

Congolese Nationality (Miscellaneous, No. 5, 1895.)

Copy of Report from Her Majesty's Minister at *Brussels*, inclosing a Copy of a Special Bulletin relative to the Acquisition of *Congolese* Nationality.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Parliamentary Elections (Illiterate Voters) (General Election, 1895.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Persons who voted as Illiterates at the General Election of 1895 in the United Kingdom (in continuation of and in the same form as Parliamentary Paper, No. 76, of Session 1893).—(Mr. *R. G. Webster*.)

Parliamentary Elections (Expenses.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Charges made to Candidates at the General Election of 1895 in *Great Britain* and *Ireland* by Returning Officers, specifying the Total Expenses of each Candidate (both exclusive and inclusive of Returning Officer's Charges) delivered to the Returning Officer pursuant to "The Corrupt and Illegal Practices Act, 1883," and the Number of Votes polled for each Candidate (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 423, of Session 1893), in the following Form:—

Name of County, of Division of County, and, in case of Cities and Boroughs, City, or Borough, or Divisions thereof.	
Number of Electors on Register.	
Districts.	Number of Polling Districts and Stations.
Stations.	
Number of Polling Booths held in Schoolrooms.	
For publishing Notice of Election, and preparing and supplying Nomination Papers.	Returning Officer's Charges.
For Travelling Expenses, Conveyance of Ballot Boxes, and for Travelling Expenses of Presiding Officers and Clerks.	
Cost of Polling Stations, &c.	
Cost of Dies, Ballot Papers, Boxes, Advertising Placards, Stationery, Copies of Register, &c.	
Cost of Presiding Officers, Clerks at Polling Stations, Counting Clerks, &c.	
For making Return to Clerk of Crown, and preparing and publishing Notices other than Notice of Election.	
Fee charged by Returning Officer or his Official for Professional and other Assistance, and for Services and Expenses in relation to Accounts of Election Expenses.	
All other Expenses of the Returning Officer.	
Total.	
Total Returning Officer's Charges as paid, whether reduced by Taxation or otherwise.	
Names of Candidates.	
Maximum Scale allowed by Corrupt Practices Act, 1883.	
Agents.	Total Expenses of each Candidate, exclusive of Returning Officer's Charges.
Clerks and Messengers.	
Printing, Advertising, Stationery, Postage, and Telegrams.	
Public Meetings.	
Committee Rooms.	
Miscellaneous Matters.	
Personal Expenses.	
Total Expenses.	
Total Expenses of each Candidate, inclusive of Returning Officer's Charges paid.	
Number of Votes polled by each Candidate.	
Average Cost per Vote polled.	

—The Totals to each Column to be shown separately for *England*, *Wales*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*, with a Summary showing the Gross Totals.—(Mr. *R. G. Webster*.)

Navy (Shipbuilding Programme, 1889-90.)

The Order made upon the 28th day of March, in the last Session of Parliament, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to the Navy (Shipbuilding Programme, 1889–90), was read, and discharged.

Ordered,

Navy (Shipbuilding Programme under Naval Defence Act, 1889.)

No. 427.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to the Memorandum of the Secretary of the Admiralty, dated the 8th day of March 1889 (Parliamentary Paper, No. 67, of Session 1889), giving (1) in regard to the 38 Ships intended by the New Programme to be built in Her Majesty's Dockyards, in comparison with the estimated Expenditure therein shown, the actual Expenditure under each Head for each of the years therein contained, and also, with reference to the anticipated difference of £. 3,054,000 therein said to be available "for laying down new Vessels, or in reducing the Estimates for the years 1892–93 and 1893–94," information as to what Sums were applied to either of these two Services respectively; and (2) in regard to the 32 Ships included in the New Programme, to be constructed by Contract, similar information, in italics, as to the actual Expenditure on the Services therein referred to in comparison with the estimated Expenditure.

Mr. *Macartney* accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Limerick Election (John Daly.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That *John Daly*, returned as a Member for the City of *Limerick*, having been adjudged guilty of Felony, and sentenced to penal servitude for life, and being now imprisoned under such sentence, is incapable of being elected or returned as a Member of this House.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "a Select Committee be appointed "to examine into the Precedents in the Law of "Parliament involved in the return of *John* "*Daly* for the City of *Limerick*, and report to "the House on the steps that ought to be taken "under the circumstances"—(Mr. *Harrington*)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther:*	261.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *William Redmond*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien:*	85.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther:*	256.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *William Redmond*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien:*	74.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That *John Daly*, returned as a Member for the City of *Limerick*, having been adjudged guilty of Felony and sentenced to penal servitude for life, and being now imprisoned under such sentence, is incapable of being elected or returned as a Member of this House.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class I.

1. £. 119,210, to complete the Sum for the Survey of the United Kingdom, and for minor services connected therewith.

2. £. 12,240, to complete the Sum for maintaining certain Harbours, Lighthouses, &c., under the Board of Trade.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 16,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for constructing a new Harbour of Refuge at *Peterhead:*

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Item B (Salaries) be reduced by £. 100—(Dr. *Clark*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

4. £. 121,525, to complete the Sum for Rates and Contributions in lieu of Rates, &c., in respect of Government Property, and for Rates on Houses occupied by Representatives of Foreign Powers, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Rating of Government Property Department.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 126,045, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Erection, Repairs, and Maintenance of Public Buildings in *Ireland*, for the Maintenance of certain Parks and Public Works, and for Drainage Works on the Rivers *Shannon* and *Suck*:—

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Question put, and agreed to.
Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Mr. *James William Lowther* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Expiring Laws Continuance.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant August, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue various Expiring Laws;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to control the Arrangements for the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms, in the Department of the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. *James Bailey* be a Member of the Committee—(Sir *William Walrond*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. *Lloyd-George*);

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Lloyd-George*, Mr. *Herbert Lewis:*	33.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther:*	142.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Original Question being put, That Mr. *James Bailey* be a Member of the Committee:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Broadhurst*, Mr. *Cochrane*, Mr. *Fellowes*, Mr.

Mr. *Fenwick*, General *Goldsworthy*, Mr. *Jacoby*, Mr. *Kearley*, Mr. *Lafone*, Mr. *Llewellyn*, Colonel *Lockwood*, Mr. *Macdona*, Mr. *P. J. Power*, Lord *Stanley*, and Mr. *Thomas Curran* were nominated other Members of the Committee,

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.—(Sir *William Walrond*.)

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House, of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, it being then ten minutes after One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

Wednesday, 21*st August*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 19) Bill [Provisional Order relating to Cambridge and Hertford not proceeded with; remaining Order confirmed.]

MR. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 19) Bill; That they had considered the Order relating to the Counties of *Cambridge* and *Hertford*, and that the parties promoting the same had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed further therewith.

Mr. *James William Lowther* further reported from the Committee; That they had considered the remaining Order of the Bill, and that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

(Title amended.)

Mr. *James William Lowther* further reported from the Committee; That they had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to the City of *Wakefield*.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee on the Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 20) Bill [Provisional Order relating to Bridgwater not proceeded with; remaining Order confirmed.]

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee on the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 20) Bill; That they had considered the Order relating to the Borough of *Bridgwater*, and that the Parties promoting the same had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed further therewith.

Mr. *James William Lowther* further reported from the Committee; That they had considered the remaining Order of the Bill, and that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Mr. *James William Lowther* further reported from the Committee; That they had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Local Government Board relating to *Keighley*. (Title amended.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee on the Gas and Water Orders (Confirmation) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Gas Orders Confirmation Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Orders confirmed.]

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee on the Gas Orders (Confirmation) Bill; That they had considered the said Orders; that the said Orders ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Education Provisional Order Confirmation (London) Bill [*Lords*] [Provisional Order confirmed.]

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee on the Education Provisional Order Confirmation (*London*) Bill; That they had considered the said Order; that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had directed him to report the Bill, with Amendments, to the House.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Fee Fund (House of Lords.) No. 428.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Fee Fund (House of Lords), which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant August, be printed.

Law Officers (Salaries, &c.) No. 429.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant August, for Returns relative to Law Officers (Salaries, &c.).

Superannuations.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 13th August 1895, declaring that, for the due and efficient discharge of the duties of the office of Assistant Legal Adviser to the Board of Agriculture, professional or other peculiar qualifications not ordinarily acquired in the Public Service are necessary.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Law Officers (Salaries, &c.) be printed.

Ordered,

East India Revenue Accounts.

Ordered, That the several Accounts and Papers which have been presented to the House in this and the last Sessions of Parliament, relating to the Revenues of *India*, be referred to the consideration of a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.—(Lord *George Hamilton*.)

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class II.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 40,050, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs:

Whereafter Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 39,050, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Flynn*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class I.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 42,495, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Payments under "The Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883," and the Light Railways (*Ireland*) Acts, 1889 and 1893.

Whereafter Motion made, and Question, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,778, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Strachey*)——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *James William Lowther* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House, of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, it being then twenty minutes before Seven of the clock, till To-morrow.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 1, "Sittings of the House":—

I hereby nominate—

Sir *Julian Goldsmid*,
Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*,
Mr. *John Edward Ellis*,
Mr. *Charles Beilby Stuart-Wortley*, and
Mr. *John Grant Lawson*,

to act during this Session as temporary Chairmen of Committees when requested by the Chairman of Ways and Means.

WILLIAM COURT GULLY,
Speaker.

21st August 1895.

Thursday, 22nd August, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Member takes the Oath.

ONE other Member took and subscribed the Oath.

North Galway and South Kerry Elections.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter from Mr. *Denis Kilbride*, returned for *North Galway* and *South Kerry*, stating that he made his Election to serve for *North Galway*, as followeth:

Sir, 21st August 1895.

I have the honour to inform you that I have been returned at the late General Election for the Constituencies of *North Galway* and *South Kerry*, and that I have elected to sit for the Constituency of *North Galway*.

I have the honour to remain, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Denis Kilbride.

The Right Hon. the Speaker.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Boiler Explosions Acts, 1882 and 1890.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of the Board of Trade on the Working of the Boiler Explosions Acts, 1882 and 1890, with Appendices (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, C. 7489).

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894 (Vessels Detained.)

Return of all Ships ordered by the Board of Trade, or its Officers, to be provisionally detained as unsafe, in pursuance of the provisions of 57 and 58 *Vic.* c. 60, ss. 459 and 462, from 1st July 1894 to 30th June 1895, giving the Names of the Owners of those Ships which have been dismantled, broken up, or converted into Hulks, &c.; together with Summaries, showing respectively the Total Number of Ships ordered to be detained as unsafe, from 1st July 1894 to 30th June 1895, and since 1st October 1876, distinguishing between those cases in which the Ships were found safe or unsafe (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, C. 7491).

Shipping Casualties (1893–94.)

Copy of Abstract of the Returns made to the Board of Trade of Shipping Casualties which occurred on and near the Coasts or in Rivers and Harbours of the United Kingdom from the 1st July 1893 to the 30th June 1894; also of the Returns made to the Board of Trade during the year 1893–94 of Shipping Casualties which occurred to *British* Vessels elsewhere than on the Coasts of the United Kingdom; and to Foreign Vessels on or near the Coasts or in Rivers and Harbours of *British* Possessions Abroad; with Particulars of Lives lost by such Casualties; and of Lives saved at Sea; also of the Returns made to the Registrar General of Seamen during the year 1893–94 of the Lives lost from *British* Vessels by Accidents other than Casualties to the Vessels and by Disease, &c.; together with Abstracts of the Official Inquiries in the United Kingdom into the Causes of Sea Casualties held by Order of the Board of Trade during the year 1893–94 and of the Official Inquiries Abroad, instituted by Consular and

and Colonial Officers and others into the Causes of Sea Casualties, of which the Reports were received at the Board of Trade during the year 1893–94, and of other Investigations at Home and Abroad which affected the Certificates of Masters and Officers in the Mercantile Marine, with Charts and Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Explosions (Edmonton.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State by Captain *J. H. Thomson*, R.A., Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives, on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred at the Ammunition Factory of Messrs. *Eley* Brothers, Limited, at *Angel Road, Edmonton*, on 24th July 1895.

Explosions (Preston Park, Brighton.)

Copy of Report to the Secretary of State by Captain *J. H. Thomson*, R.A., Her Majesty's Inspector of Explosives, on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred at *Preston Park, Brighton*, on 5th August 1895.

Inebriates Acts, 1879 and 1888.

Copy of Fifteenth Report under the Inebriates Act, 1879 and 1888, of the Inspector of Retreats for Habitual Drunkards for the year 1894; with Appendix.

Secondary Education (Royal Commission.)

Copy of Report of the Royal Commission on Secondary Education, Vol. I. (the Report, with Summary Tables), Vols. II., III., and IV. (Minutes of Evidence), Vol. V. (Memoranda and Answers in Reply to Circular Letters issued by the Commissioners), Vol. VI. and VII. (Reports of Assistant Commissioners), Vol. VIII. (Analysis of Evidence), and Vol. IX. (Statistical Tables).

Polling Districts (Dorsetshire.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order of the *Dorset* County Council, dated 31st July 1895, for re-dividing the County into Polling Districts and re-assigning Polling Places.

Polling Districts (Northamptonshire.)

Copy of Order of the *Northamptonshire* County Council, dated 18th July 1895, for making certain alterations in the Polling Districts of the County.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Mr. *Curzon* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1626 and 1627.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Loss of Life at Sea. No. 430.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Return of the Loss of Life at Sea for the year 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 212, of Session I., 1895).

Mr. *Ritchie* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Kythal.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Correspondence between the Governor General of *India* and the Honourable the Court of Directors or other Home Authorities, and of such Reports of the Agents of the *Cis-Sutlej* States and Local Authorities relating to the succession of the Chiefs of *Kythal* from the death of *Bhai Lal Singh* in 1819 to the death of *Bhai Golab Singh* in 1845, and of such Memorials of *Bhai Golab Singh*; and of the Guardians of his Son, *Bhai Jasmair Singh*, and of *Bhai Jasmair Singh* himself, as are in the possession of the *India* Office, together with the Correspondence relating thereto:——And, of Copy of a Petition recently presented to this House by 1,042 persons, being Zemindars and other inhabitants of *Kythal* and other Towns and Villages in the *Cis-Sutlej* Territory of the *Punjab*, praying for inquiry.—(Mr. *Kimber*.)

Government Property (County of London.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) the Name of each Parish in which the Government occupies Property; (2) the Extent and Character of such Property; (3) the Valuation put upon such Property for Local Rating; (4) the Amount of Contribution paid, or to be paid, to each Parish in the last Financial Year; and (5) Special Acts of Parliament (if any) applicable to the case (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 124, of Session 1894).—(Sir *Albert Rollit*.)

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class II.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 23,559, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the House of Lords:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Item E (Department of the Black Rod), be reduced by £. 2,000, in respect of the Salary of that Officer—(Mr. *Herbert Lewis*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Herbert Lewis*, Mr. *T. P. O'Connor*: } 94.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 171.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereafter Motion made, and Question put, That Item H (Department of the Lord Great Chamberlain), be reduced by £. 100—(Mr. *Lloyd-George*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Lloyd-George*, Mr. *Herbert Lewis*: } 82.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 172.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereafter Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item H be reduced by £. 400, in respect of the Salaries of the Secretary, Superintendent, and Doorkeepers of the House of Lords—(Dr. *Tanner*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereafter Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item H be reduced by £. 50, in respect of the Salary of the Housekeeper of the House of Lords—(Dr. *Tanner*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 28,035, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Offices of the House of Commons:

Whereafter Motion made, and Question, That Item G be reduced by £. 2,000, in respect of Wages in the Refreshment Room—(Dr. *Tanner*)——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. £. 49,526,

3. £. 49,526, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Treasury and Subordinate Departments.

4. £. 63,451, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and Subordinate Offices.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 23,664, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including a Grant in Aid of certain Expenses connected with Emigration;

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Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Lough*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, and agreed to.

6. £. 8,481, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council and for Quarantine Expenses.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *James William Lowther* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [20th August] Report.

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895-96.

Class I.

Survey of the United Kingdom.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 119,210, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Survey of the United Kingdom, and for minor services connected therewith.

Harbours, &c. under the Board of Trade.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,240, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for maintaining certain Harbours, Lighthouses, &c. under the Board of Trade.

Harbour of Refuge at Peterhead.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 16,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for constructing a new Harbour of Refuge at *Peterhead*.

Government Property, Rates, &c.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 121,525, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Rates and Contributions in lieu of Rates, &c. in respect of Government Property, and for Rates on Houses occupied by Representatives of Foreign Powers, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Rating of Government Property Department.

Public Buildings, Ireland.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 126,045, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Erection, Repairs, and Maintenance of Public Buildings in *Ireland*, for the Maintenance of certain Parks and Public Works, and for Drainage Works on the Rivers *Shannon* and *Suck*.

The said Resolutions being read a second time;

The First and Second Resolutions were postponed.

The Third and Fourth Resolutions were agreed to.

The Fifth Resolution was postponed.

Ordered, That the Postponed Resolutions be taken into further consideration this day.

Supply [21st August] Report.

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895-96.

Class II.

Foreign Office.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 40,050, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Class I.

Light Railways.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 42,495, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Payments under "The Tramways and Public Companies (*Ireland*) Act, 1883," and the Light Railways (*Ireland*) Acts, 1889 and 1893.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Public Accounts.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Select Committee of Public Accounts do consist of Fifteen Members—(Mr. *Hanbury*):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Dr. *Clark*):—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the original Question being put, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Gibson Bowles*, Mr. *Cameron Corbett*, Sir *John Colomb*, Mr. *Gilliat*, Mr. *Hanbury*, Mr. *Grant Lawson*, Mr. *Herbert Lewis*, Mr. *Luttrell*, Sir *Stafford Northcote*, Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*, Sir *Albert Rollit*, Mr. *Thornton*, Mr. *Webb*, and Mr. *Woodall* were nominated Members of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts, together with Reports in the last Session, be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, it being then half an hour after One of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

Friday, 23*rd August*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

East India (North West Frontier) Chitral.

Secretary Lord *George Hamilton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command.—Copy of Correspondence relating to *Chitral*

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated the 29th June 1895, declaring that *Edward Gregory*, *George Cowper*, and *Henry Bousher*, Watchmen, Department of Serjeant at Arms, House of Commons, were appointed without Civil Service Certificates through inadvertence on the part of the Head of their Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Endowed Charities (Hertford.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Digest of the Endowed Charities in the County of *Hertford*, the particulars of which are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*, but are not recorded in the General Digest of Endowed Charities for that County, 1862-63 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 433 (7), of Session 1868).—(Mr. *Grant Lawson*.)

Endowed Charities (Lancaster.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Digest of the Endowed Charities in the County of *Lancaster*, the particulars of which are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*, but are not recorded in the General Digest of Endowed Charities for that County, 1865-68 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 91 (2), of Session 1869).—(Mr. *Grant Lawson*.)

Endowed Charities (Westmoreland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Digest of the Endowed Charities in the County of *Westmoreland*, the particulars of which are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*, but are not recorded in the General Digest of Endowed Charities for that County, 1864-65 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 433 (21), of Session 1868).—(Mr. *Grant Lawson*.)

Coal, Cinders, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Quantities of Coals, Cinders, and Patent Fuel shipped at the several Ports of *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland* Coastways, to other Ports of the United Kingdom, in the year 1894:——Of the Quantities and declared Value of Coals, Cinders, and Patent Fuel exported from the several Ports of *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland* to Foreign Countries and the *British* Settlements Abroad in the year 1894, distinguishing the Countries to which the same were sent:——Of the Quantities of Coals, Cinders, and Patent Fuel exported from the United Kingdom in the year 1894:——Of the Quantities of Coals and Patent Fuel brought Coastways into the Port of *London* during the year 1894:——And, of the Quantities of Coals and Patent Fuel received Coastways at the various Ports of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. *Alfred Thomas*.)

Attorney General and Solicitor General (Salaries, &c.) No. 431.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 5th of July 1895, regulating the Salaries and other Emoluments of the Attorney General and the Solicitor General for *England*.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London Water Companies Supply.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the average Amount of Water supplied Daily by each of the *London* Water Companies, from various Sources, in each Month during the past Two years, specifying the Amount from each Source separately.—(Mr. *James Stewart*.)

Kerry (South Kerry Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Kerry* (South *Kerry* Division), in the room of *Denis Kilbride*, Esquire, who, having been returned for the said County of *Kerry* (South *Kerry* Division), and for the County of *Galway*, (North *Galway* Division), hath elected to sit for the County of *Galway* (North *Galway* Division.)—(Captain *Donelan*.)

Larne and Stranraer Mail Service.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) the Hour at which the Mails to *Ireland* were due, and (2) the Hour at which they arrived during each day in the Three Months ended 31st day of July, in the following form:—

——	Carlisle.	Stranraer.	Larne.	Belfast.	Londonderry.
	Mails due .	Mails due .	Mails due .	Mails due .	Mails due .
1st April Mails arrived - -					
2nd April Mails arrived - -					

—(Mr. *Knox*.)

Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Fenwick* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons).

Ordered, That Mr. *Alfred Thomas* be added to the Committee.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis*.)

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895-96.

Class II.

1. £. 104,748, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Subordinate Departments.

2. £. 21,000, to complete the Sum for a Grant in Aid of the Mercantile Marine Fund.

3. £. 16, to complete the Sum for meeting the Deficiency of Income from Fees, &c., for the requirements of the Board of Trade, under the Bankruptcy Acts, 1883 and 1890, and "The Companies (Winding-up) Act, 1890."

4. £. 64,029, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture, and to defray the repayable Expenses to be incurred in matters of Inclosure and Land Improvement,

Improvement, and to pay certain Grants in Aid.

5. £. 23,148, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission for *England* and *Wales*, including the Endowed Schools Department.

Resolutions to be reported.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 23,297, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission:

Whereafter Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *James William Lowther* also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [20th August] Report (Postponed Resolutions.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the First, Second, and Fifth of the Resolutions which, upon the 20th day of this instant August, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolutions were then postponed; and the same were again read, as follow:

Civil Service and Revenue Department Estimates, 1895–86.

Class II.

Survey of the United Kingdom.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 119,210 be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Survey of the United Kingdom, and for minor services connected therewith.

Harbours, Lighthouses, &c. under the Board of Trade.

2 That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,240. be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for maintaining certain Harbours, Lighthouses, &c. under the Board of Trade.

Public Buildings in Ireland.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 126,045, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Erection, Repairs, and Maintenance of Public Buildings in *Ireland*, for the Maintenance of certain Parks and Public Works, and for Drainage Works on the Rivers *Shannon* and *Suck*.

The First and Second Resolutions were agreed to.

The Fifth Resolution, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 126,045, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Erection, Repairs, and Maintenance of Public Buildings in *Ireland*, for the Maintenance of certain Parks and Public Works, and for Drainage Works on the Rivers *Shannon* and *Suck*.

The House proceeded to take the said Resolution into consideration.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued so sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 24th August 1895:

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply [22nd August] Report.

Mr. *Hanbury* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class II.

House of Lords.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 23,559, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the House of Lords.

House of Commons.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 28,035, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Offices of the House of Commons.

Treasury.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 49,526, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Treasury and Subordinate Departments.

Home Office.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 63,451, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department and Subordinate Offices.

Colonial Office.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 23,664, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, including a Grant-in-Aid of certain Expenses connected with Emigration.

Privy Council Office.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 8,481, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council and for Quarantine Expenses.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Borough of Dublin (Saint Stephen's Green Division) Writ.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Dublin* (*Saint Stephen's Green* Division), in the room of *William Kenny*, Esquire, Q.C., who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the

the Office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General for *Ireland*—(Sir *William Walrond*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 114.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*: } 21.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Dublin* (*Saint Stephen's Green* Division), in the room of *William Kenny*, Esquire, Q.C., who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General for *Ireland*.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, it being then twenty-five minutes before Two of the clock on Saturday morning, till Monday next.

Monday, 26*th August*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Judicial Statistics (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-seventh Report on the Judicial Statistics of *Scotland*, rendered to the Right Honourable the Secretary for *Scotland*, for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Education Department.

Sir *John Gorst* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Return of the Expenses of the *London* School Board Elections in 1888, 1891, and 1894, showing the Details of the Amounts expended in each Electoral Division of the Metropolis, and the precepts issued to the several Rating Authorities.

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Sir *John Gorst* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 13th August 1895, with respect to the Lights and Signals to be used by Dredgers in the River *Mersey*.

Winter Assizes Acts, 1876 and 1877.

Copy of Eight Orders in Council, dated 13th August 1895, under the Winter Assizes Acts, 1876 and 1877, relating to the ensuing Winter Assizes.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Weights and Measures. No. 432.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade on their Proceedings and Business under the Weights and Measures Acts, 1878 and 1889.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. Secretary *Chamberlain* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report for 1894, No. 145 (*Trinidad* and *Tobago*).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

National Gallery (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Director to the Board of Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery of *Ireland* for the year 1894.

Customs.

Copy of Thirty-ninth Report of the Commissioners of Customs for the year ended 31st March 1895.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated 21st August 1895, declaring that *Patrick Cummings*, Porter, Exchequer and Audit Department, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Inverness District of Burghs Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the *Inverness* District of Burghs, in the room of *Robert Bannatyne Finlay*, Esquire, one of Her Majesty's Counsel learned in the Law, who, since his Election for the said *Inverness* District of Burghs, hath accepted the Office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General.—(Sir *William Walrond*.)

Clarence Lane (Roehampton.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence between the Office of Works and the *London* County Council and the *Wandsworth* Local Board on the subject of the Opening of *Clarence Lane*, *Roehampton*, for Public Traffic.—(Mr. *Skewes-Cox*.)

British West African Colonies (Importation of Spirits.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Quantities and declared Value of the Gin, Rum, and other "Trade Spirits" imported in each of the Five years ending with 1894 into the *British West African* Colonies of the *Gambia*, *Sierra Leone*, the *Gold Coast*, and *Lagos*, also into the *Niger* Coast Protectorate and the Royal *Niger* Company's Territories, showing, as far as practicable, the Quantities supplied and their declared Values from the several Countries exporting them, and similar information as to the *British South Africa* Company's Territories, *British Central Africa*, *British East Africa*, and the *Zanzibar* Protectorate.—(Sir *Charles Dilke*.)

Public Offices [Acquisition of Site.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums as may be required for the Purchase of certain Lands in *Westminster* for a Site for Public Offices.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Mr. *Hanbury*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising the Treasury to guarantee the Interest on certain Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a Sum of Money to that Company, and of authorising the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those Moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums as may be necessary for those purposes—(Mr. *Hanbury*);

Mr.

Mr. *Hanbury*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class II.

1. £. 23,297, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 34,989, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Comptroller and Auditor General:

Whereafter Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 34,865, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Arthur O'Connor*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Dr. *Tanner*, Mr. *Gibson Bowles*: } 41.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 171.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. £. 4,648 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 500), to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Registry of Friendly Societies.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 95,108, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board:

Whereafter Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 94,108, be granted for the said Service—(Dr. *Clark*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

5. £. 9,055, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners in Lunacy in *England*.

6. £. 59, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mint, including the Expenses of Coinage.

7. £. 7,175, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Debt Office.

8. £. 12,488, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office.

9. £. 5,855, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishment under the Public Works Loan Commissioners.

10. £. 24,899, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c. in *England*.

11. £. 277,909, to complete the Sum for Stationery, Printing, Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the Public Service, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Stationery Office; and for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.

12. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,473, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, and of the Office of Land Revenue Records and Inrolments;

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Whereafter Motion made, and Question put, That Item A. (Salaries), be reduced by £. 100, in respect of the Salary of the Chief Commissioner—(Mr. *Bryn Roberts*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bryn Roberts*, Mr. *David Thomas*: } 38.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 145.

Original Question again proposed:—After Debate thereon;

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put;

Question put, That the Question be now put; (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 142.
Tellers for the Noes, { Dr. *Tanner*, Mr. *Flynn*: } 34.

Original Question put accordingly;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 144.
Tellers for the Noes, { Dr. *Tanner*, Mr. *Flynn*: } 32.

13. £. 28,956, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings.

14. £. 14,000, to complete the Sum for Her Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services.

15. £. 3,147, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Lunacy in *Scotland*.

16. £. 2,539, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., in *Scotland*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *James William Lowther* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [23rd August] Report.

Mr. *Chaplin* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class II.

Board of Trade.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 104,748, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Subordinate Departments.

Mercantile Marine Fund.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 21,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for a Grant in Aid of the Mercantile Marine Fund.

3. That

Board of Trade (Deficiency of Income from Fees.)

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 16, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for meeting the Deficiency of Income from Fees, &c., for the requirements of the Board of Trade, under the Bankruptcy Acts, 1883 and 1890, and "The Companies (Winding-up) Act, 1890."

Board of Agriculture.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 64,029, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Agriculture, and to defray the repayable Expenses to be incurred in matters of Inclosure and Land Improvement, and to pay certain Grants in Aid.

Charity Commission (England and Wales.)

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 23,148, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission for *England* and *Wales*, including the Endowed Schools Department.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Expiring Laws Continuance.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant August, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue various expiring Laws—(Mr. Attorney General);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

Whereupon, Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, adjourned the House without Question put, it being then a quarter of an hour after Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

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THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Member takes the Oath.

ONE other Member took and subscribed the Oath required by Law.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

South Kensington Museum (Attendants and Messengers.) No. 433.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *South Kensington* Museum (Attendants and Messengers), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant August, be printed.

Post Office (Money Order Convention with the Netherlands.)

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Additional Articles to the Convention of the 7th-14th of October 1871, between the General Post Office of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* and the General Post Office of the Kingdom of the *Netherlands* for an exchange of Post Office Money Orders.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Agriculture (Royal Commission) (England.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report by Mr. *Wilson Fox*, Assistant Commissioner, Royal Commission on Agriculture, on the County of *Cambridge*.

Lunatic Asylums. No. 434.

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of April, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of the Lunatic Asylums in the United Kingdom and *Ireland* on the 1st day of January 1894 (in continuation of, and in the same form as, Parliamentary Paper, No. 101. of Session 1888, with the addition of a Summary).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Lunatic Asylums be printed.

Local Government Board.

Mr. *Chaplin* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Local Government Board, 1894-95.

Tuberculosis. No. 435.

Mr. *Chaplin* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of February, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing, in respect of each of the years ended the 25th day of March 1894 and 1895, the Number of Carcasses seized by Medical Officers of Health and Inspectors of Nuisances in *England* and *Wales*, under Section 116 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 47 of the Public Health (*London*) Act, 1891, and of the Number of such Carcasses condemned by Justices under Sections 117 and 47 of those Acts, distinguishing, as far as practicable, the Number so condemned in consequence of the Animal having suffered from Tuberculosis (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 485, of Session 1893-94).

London Local Elections (Vestrymen.)

Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Official Expenses in connection with the Elections of Vestrymen and Auditors in *London*, in December 1894.

London Local Elections (Guardians.)

Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Official Expenses in connection with the Elections of Guardians in December 1894.

Allotment Acts (Acquisition of Land by Local Authorities.)

Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Number of Instances in which, prior to the 28th day of December 1894 (1) Rural Sanitary Authorities under the provisions of the Allotments Acts, 1887, and (2) County Councils under the provisions of the Allotments Acts, 1887 and 1890, had acquired Land for Allotments by (1) Compulsory Purchase; (2) Purchase by Agreement; and (3) Hire by Agreement; showing in each case the Parish within which such Land has been acquired, the Acreage, and Number of Tenants to whom Allotments have been let under the Acts.

Vagrants (England and Wales.)

Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Number of Vagrants relieved in the several Unions and separate Parishes in *England* and *Wales* on the Night of the 1st of July and the 1st of January in each of the Five Years ended January 1895, distinguishing Adult Males and Females and Children under 16 years of Age.

Local Taxation Returns (England.) No. 436.

Mr. *Chaplin* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—The Annual Local Taxation Returns for *England* for the year 1893-94, Part III., containing Accounts of Municipal Boroughs, Urban and Rural Sanitary Authorities, Burial Boards, Commissioners of Baths and Washhouses, Conservators of Commons, &c. Part IV., containing Accounts of Metropolitan Vestries and District Boards, Commissioners of Sewers of the City of *London*, *London* County Council, Metropolitan Police, Corporation

Corporation of *London*, and *London* Pauper Lunatic Asylums. Part V., containing Accounts of Commissioners of Sewers, Drainage, Embankment, and Conservancy Boards, Salmon Fishery Boards, Church Rate, Harbour Piers and Docks, and School Boards. Part VI., containing Accounts of Highway Authorities in Rural Districts and Turnpike Trusts. Part VII., containing Summary.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Tuberculosis and the Local Taxation Returns, *England*, be printed.

Queen's Speech (Answer to Address.)

The Comptroller of the Household reported Her Majesty's Answer to the Address, as followeth:

I have received with great satisfaction the loyal and dutiful expression of your Thanks for the Speech with which I have opened the present Session of Parliament.

Income Tax.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Income Tax under Schedules A, B, and D of the Gross Amount of Property and Profits Assessed in each County of *Great Britain* in each of the Years from 1889–90 to 1894–95, both inclusive, compared with the Totals in Abstract for each of the respective Years from 1869-70 to 1874-75, and from 1879–80 to 1884–85, all inclusive, together with the Duty charged under Income Tax and House Duty respectively in 1894–95 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 39, of Session 1892):——And, of the like information for *Ireland* in each Surveyor's District so far as relates to Income Tax.—(Mr. *Thomas Ellis.*)

Railways (Times of Trains.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return for the Months of June, July, and August 1895, from the Great Western, South Eastern, *London*, *Chatham* and *Dover*, *London*, *Brighton*, and South Coast, and *London* and South Western Railway Companies, showing the Arrival at *London* Stations of all Passenger Trains from a distance of not less than 50 Miles from Starting Point, as shown in the published Time Tables of the Company, in the Form set out below:——The Return to be compiled from the Guards' Reports or Journals; and *London* Stations to mean, for the Great Western, *Paddington*; for the *Chatham* and *Dover*, *Victoria*, *Saint Paul's*, and *Holborn Viaduct*; for the South Eastern, *Cannon Street* and *Charing Cross*; for the *London*, *Brighton*, and South Coast, *London Bridge* and *Victoria*; and for the South Western, *Waterloo*:—

Percentage to Time and 5 Minutes Late.	Percentage between 6 and 10 Minutes Late.	Percentage between 10 and 20 Minutes Late.	Percentage between 20 and 30 Minutes Late.	Percentage over 30 Minutes Late.	Total Number of Trains.

(in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 210, of Session 1895).—(Mr. *Houston.*)

Navy (Sea-going War Ships, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Sea-going War Ships in Commission, in Reserve, and Building, and showing the Naval Expenditure, Revenue, Tonnage of Mercantile Marine, and Value of Sea-borne Commerce of various Countries for the year 1894:——And, showing Naval Expenditure on Sea-going Force, the Value of Sea-borne Commerce (exclusive of interchange with the United Kingdom), and the Revenue of *British* self-governing Colonies for the year 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Papers, No. 396, of Session 1890–91, and of No. 372, of Session 1893, and of No. 299, of Session 1894).—(Sir *Charles Dilke.*)

Corporal Punishment (Sentences.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of all Sentences of Corporal Punishment inflicted under the 26th and 27th *Vic.* c. 44, upon Persons convicted of Offences against Section 43 of the Larceny Act, 1861, and Section 21 of the Offences against the Person Act, 1861, in *England* and *Wales*, from the 27th day of February 1894, in the following Form:—

Place and Date of Trial.	Initials of Prisoner.	Age on Committal.	Name of Judge or Commissioner.	Number of Strokes Ordered.

(in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 114, of Session 1894).—(Mr. *Pickersgill.*)

Inspectors of Meat.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) the Number of Officials employed as Meat Inspectors in *London*, *Liverpool*, *Manchester*, *Birmingham*, *Bolton*, *Birkenhead*, *Bradford*, *Blackpool*, *Hull*, *Nottingham*, *Derby*, *Portsmouth*, *Glasgow*, *Edinburgh*, *Dundee*, *Paisley*, *Perth*, and *Greenock*; (2) Date of their Appointment; (3) Qualifications for Appointment; (4) Vocation prior to receiving Appointment; and (5) Whether such Officials act as Meat Inspectors only, or hold any Office of Emolument in a Department other than that supervised by the Medical Officer of Health.—(Mr. *Field.*)

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class II.

1. £. 7,000, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary for *Scotland* and Subordinate Offices.

2. £. 14,341, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Fishery Board in *Scotland*, and for Grants in Aid of Piers or Quays.

3. £. 6,123, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board for *Scotland*, and for Expenses under the Public Health Acts, Infectious Diseases Notification Act, Vaccination Act, Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Act, and Local Government (*Scotland*) Act.

Class III.

4. £. 57,736 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 7,000), to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and other Law Charges, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in *Scotland*.

5. £. 22,004, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*.

6. £. 3,605, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of the Establishment of the Crofters' Commission.

7. £. 56,818, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of the Prison Commissioners for *Scotland*, and of the Prisons under their Control, including

cluding the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics, and the preparation of Judicial Statistics.

Class II.

8. £. 2,221, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Household of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

9. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,850, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant in *Dublin* and *London*, and Subordinate Departments.

After Debate thereon;

Question put (pursuant to S.O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put."

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 147.

Tellers for the Noes, { Captain *Donelan*, Mr. *Flynn*: } 47.

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Question put accordingly;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 152.

Tellers for the Noes, { Captain *Donelan*, Mr. *Flynn*: } 40.

10. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 939, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for *Ireland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

11. £. 2,974, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office in *Ireland*, and of the Keeper of State Papers in *Dublin*.

12. £. 8,780, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., and the Expenses of collecting Agricultural and other Statistics in *Ireland*.

13. £. 6,504, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Valuation and Boundary Survey of *Ireland*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *James William Lowther* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [26th August] Report.

Mr. *T. W. Russell* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–6.

Class II.

Civil Service Commission.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 23,297, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Civil Service Commission.

Comptroller and Auditor General.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £ 34,989, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Comptroller and Auditor General.

Friendly Societies Registry.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,648 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 500), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Registry of Friendly Societies.

Local Government Board.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 95,108, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board.

Lunacy (England.)

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,055, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners in Lunacy in *England*.

Mint.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 59, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Mint, including the Expenses of Coinage.

National Debt Office.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,175, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Debt Office.

Public Record Office.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,488, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office.

Public Works Loan Commissioners.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,855, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishment under the Public Works Loan Commissioners.

Registrar General of Births, &c. (England.)

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,899, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., in *England*.

Stationery, Printing, &c.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 277,909, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Stationery, Printing, Paper, Binding, and Printed Books for the Public Service, and for the Salaries and Expenses of the Stationery Office; and for sundry Miscellaneous Services, including Reports of Parliamentary Debates.

Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,473, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses

Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, and of the Office of Land Revenue Records and Inrolments.

Works and Public Buildings.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 28,956, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings.

Secret Services.

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 14,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Her Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services.

Lunacy Board (Scotland.)

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,147, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Lunacy in *Scotland*.

Registrar General's Office (Scotland.)

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,539, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., in *Scotland*.

The said Resolutions being read a second time;

The first Eleven Resolutions were agreed to.

The Twelfth Resolution was postponed.

The subsequent Resolutions were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Postponed Resolution be taken into further consideration this day.

Public Offices [Acquisition of Site.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Public Offices [Acquisition of Site].

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorise the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums, not exceeding in the whole £. 450,000, as may be required by the Commissioners of Works for the purchase of certain Lands in *Westminster* for a Site for Public Offices.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to borrow Money for meeting the Sums so to be issued, and to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament for the Service of the Commissioners of Works, or (if those Moneys are insufficient) out of the Consolidated Fund, of any Annuity required for the repayment of such Loan.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Stuart-Wortley* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

West Highland Railway [Guarantee.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on West Highland Railway [Guarantee].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the rate of Three *per cent.*, on £. 260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a Sum of Money, not exceeding £. 30,000, to that Company; and to authorise the payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, and, if those Moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums as may be necessary for those purposes.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Stuart-Wortley* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Public Works Loans.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to grant Money for the purpose of certain Local Loans; and for other purposes relating to Local Loans: And that Mr. *Hanbury* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Works Loans Bill. Bill 2.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented a Bill to grant Money for the purpose of certain Local Loans; and for other purposes relating to Local Loans: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House, of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, it being then twenty minutes after One of the clock, on Wednesday morning, till this day.

Wednesday, 28*th August*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Member takes the Oath.

ONE other Member took and subscribed the Oath.

Public Petition.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

London Local Elections (Vestrymen.) No. 402.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *London* Local Elections (Vestrymen), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant August, be printed.

London Local Elections (Guardians.) No. 437.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *London* Local Elections (Guardians), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant August, be printed.

Allotment Acts (Acquisition of Land by Local Authorities.) No. 438.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Allotment Acts (Acquisition of Land by Local Authorities), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant August, be printed.

Vagrants (England and Wales.) No. 439.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Vagrants (*England* and *Wales*), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant August, be printed.

Deaths (Starvation, &c.) (County of London.) No. 440.

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 9th day of May last, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Number of all Deaths in the Administrative County of *London* in the year 1894 upon which a Coroner's Jury has returned a verdict of Death from Starvation, or Death accelerated by Privation (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 288, of Session 1894), together with any Observations by the Local Government Board with reference to those Cases in which Applications have been made to the Poor Law Authorities for Relief.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Navy and Army Expenditure, 1893-4.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Savings and Deficiencies upon Navy and Army Grants for 1893-94, and the Temporary sanction obtained from the Treasury by the Navy and Army Departments to the Expenditure not provided for in the Grants for that year.

Appropriation Accounts referred.

Ordered, That the Appropriation Accounts for the Navy and Army Departments, which were presented upon the 13th and 14th days of

February last respectively, be referred to the Committee.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class III.

1. £. 34,408, to complete the Sum for the Salaries of the Law Officers' Department; the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, Queen's Proctor, and Director of Public Prosecutions; the Costs of Prosecutions, of other Legal Proceedings, and of Parliamentary Agency.

2. £. 21,932, to complete the Sum for certain Miscellaneous Legal Expenses.

3. £. 177,858, to complete the Sum for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.

4. £. 4,074, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Land Registry.

5. £. 15,800, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

6. £. 2,663, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Police Courts of *London* and *Sheerness*.

7. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 37,507, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries of the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, the Pay and Expenses of Officers of Metropolitan Police employed on Special Duties, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspectors of Constabulary.

Whereafter Motion made, and Question, That Sub-head C (Identification of Habitual Criminals), be reduced by £. 100—(Dr. *Clark*)—put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

8. £. 383,000, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of the Prisons in *England*, *Wales*, and the Colonies.

9. £. 131,003, to complete the Sum for the Expense of the Maintenance of Juvenile Offenders in Reformatory, Industrial, and Day Industrial Schools, in *Great Britain*, and of the Inspectors of Reformatories.

10. £. 18,177, to complete the Sum for the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the *Broadmoor* Criminal Lunatic Asylum.

Class IV.

11. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,335,485, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payments during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Public Education in *England* and *Wales*, including Expenses of the Education Office in *London*.

Whereafter Motion made, and Question put, That Item A, Salaries, be reduced by £. 100, in respect of the Salary of the Vice President of the Council—(Mr. *David Thomas*);

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *David Thomas*, Mr. *Brynmor Jones*: } 46.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 144.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

12. £. 387,155, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Science and Art, and of the various Establishments connected therewith.

13. £. 114,205 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 30,421), to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the *British* Museum, including the Amount required for the Natural History Museum.

14. £. 8,340 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 5,000), to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery.

15. £. 2,065 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 750), to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery.

16. £. 14,527, to complete the Sum for sundry Grants in Aid of Scientific Investigation, &c., in the United Kingdom.

17. £. 58,339 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 3,000), to complete the Sum for Grants in Aid of the Expenses of certain Universities and Colleges in *Great Britain*, and of the Expenses under "The *Welsh* Intermediate Education Act, 1889."

18. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the University of *London*.

After Debate thereon;

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; Question put, "That the Question be now put"; (Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.))

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 123.

Tellers for the Noes, { Captain *Donelan*, Dr. *Tanner*: } 34.

Question put accordingly;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 126.

Tellers for the Noes, { Captain *Donelan*, Dr. *Tanner*: } 32.

19. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 530,262, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Public Education in *Scotland*.

Whereafter Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item D (Travelling Allowances and Incidental Expenses), be reduced by £. 500—(Mr. *Weir*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.

After Debate thereon;

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed. (Closure claimed, but Chairman withholds his assent.)

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put"; Question put, "That the Question be now put"; (Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.))

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 121.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Caldwell*, Mr. *Provand*: } 35.

Original Question put accordingly;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 122.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Caldwell*, Mr. *Provand*: } 30.

20. Motion

20. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for a Grant to the Board of Trustees for Manufactures in *Scotland* in aid of the Maintenance of the National Gallery, School of Art, and Museum of Antiquities, *Scotland*:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Pritchard Morgan*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class V.

21. £. 38,200, to complete the Sum for Grants in Aid of Expenses connected with the *British* Protectorates in *Uganda* and in *Central Africa*.

22. £. 59,372, to complete the Sum for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid, together with Expenses incurred under "The *Pacific* Islanders' Protection Act, 1875," and certain Charges connected with *South Africa*.

23. £. 1,000, to complete the Sum for a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of *Cyprus*.

24. £. 140, to complete the Sum for Expenses in connection with the Suppression of the Slave Trade, and the Expenses of the Maintenance of certain Liberated *Africans*.

25. £. 28,100, to complete the Sum for the Subsidies to certain Telegraph Companies.

Class VI.

26. £. 253,841, to complete the Sum for Superannuation, Retired, and Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities under sundry Statutes, and for Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities awarded by the Treasury, and for the Salaries of Medical Referees.

27. £. 3,900, to complete the Sum for certain Pensions to Masters and Seamen of the Merchant Service, and to their Widows and Children.

28. £. 27,154, to make good the Sum by which the Interest accrued in the year ended 20th November 1894, from Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners, on account of "The Fund for the Banks of Savings" and "The Fund for Friendly Societies" is insufficient to meet the Interest which the said Commissioners are obliged by Statute to Pay and Credit during such latter mentioned year to Trustees of Savings Banks and to Friendly Societies.

29. £. 651, to complete the Sum for certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances in *Great Britain*.

Class VII.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,692, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and other Expenses of Temporary Commissions and Committees. including Special Inquiries:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

30. £. 2,069, to complete the Sum for certain Miscellaneous Expenses.

31. £. 22,000, to complete the Sum for Grants in Aid of Expenditure upon certain Public Works, and for improved Communications, and other purposes, within the Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*.

32. £. 18,697, as a Grant in Aid to make good certain Amounts written off from the Assets of the Local Loans Fund.

33. £. 1,052, for the Repayment to the Civil Contingencies Fund of certain Miscellaneous Advances.

Revenue Departments.

34. £. 644,365, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Customs Department.

35. £. 1,368,047, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *James William Lowther* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [26th August] Report. (Postponed Resolution.)

The House, according to Order. proceeded to take into further consideration the twelfth of the Resolutions, which, upon the 26th day of this instant August, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was then postponed, and was as followeth:

Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,473, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, and of the Office of Land Revenue Records and Inrolments.

And the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

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And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Supply [27th August] Report.

Mr. *Ritchie* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895-96.

Class II.

Secretary for Scotland and Subordinate Offices.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary for *Scotland* and Subordinate Offices.

Fishery Board (Scotland.)

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 14,341, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Fishery Board in *Scotland*, and for Grants in aid of Piers or Quays.

Local Government Board, (Scotland.)

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,123, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the

the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board for *Scotland*, and for Expenses under the Public Health Acts, Infectious Diseases Notification Act, Vaccination Act, Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, 1889, Burgh Police (*Scotland*) Act, and Local Government (*Scotland*) Act, 1894.

Class III.

Law Charges (Scotland.)

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 57,736 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 7,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Lord Advocate's Department, and other Law Charges, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Courts of Law and Justice in *Scotland*.

General Register House (Edinburgh.)

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 22,004, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*.

Crofters' Commission.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,605, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the Establishment of the Crofters' Commission.

Prison Commissioners (Scotland.)

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 56,818, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the Prison Commissioners for *Scotland*, and of the Prisons under their control, including the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics and the Preparation of Judicial Statistics.

Class II.

Lord Lieutenant of Ireland (Household, &c.)

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,221, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Household of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

Chief Secretary for Ireland (Offices, &c.)

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,850, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant in *Dublin* and *London*, and Subordinate Departments.

Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 939, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for *Ireland*.

Public Record Office in Ireland.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,974, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Public Record Office in *Ireland*, and of the Keeper of State Papers in *Dublin*.

Registrar General's Office (Ireland.)

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 8,780, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., and the Expenses of Collecting Agricultural and other Statistics in *Ireland*.

General Valuation and Boundary Survey of Ireland.)

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,504, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the General Valuation and Boundary Survey of *Ireland*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Public Offices (Acquisition of Site.)

Mr. *Hanbury* reported from the Committee on Public Offices (Acquisition of Site), several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That it is expedient to authorise the issue, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums, not exceeding in the whole, £. 450,000, as may be required by the Commissioners of Works for the purchase of certain Lands in *Westminster* for a Site for Public Offices.

2. That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to borrow money for meeting the Sums so to be issued, and to authorise the payment, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament for the service of the Commissioners of Works, or (if those moneys are insufficient) out of the Consolidated Fund, of any Annuity required for the repayment of such Loan.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Public Offices (Acquisition of Site.)

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Akers-Douglas* and Mr. *Hanbury* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill. Bill 3.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the Acquisition of a Site for Public Offices in *Westminster*; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

West Highland Railway (Guarantee.)

Mr. *Hanbury* reported from the Committee on West Highland Railway (Guarantee), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the Interest, at the Rate of Three *per cent.*, on £. 260,000 of the Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and to pay a Sum of Money, not exceeding £. 30,000, to that Company; and to authorise the Payment, out of Moneys to be provided by Parliament, and if those Moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund, of such Sums as may be necessary for those purposes.

The said Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution—(Mr. *Hanbury*);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Walrond* Mr. *Anstruther*:	107.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Strachey*, Mr. *David Thomas*:	13.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

West Highland Railway (Guarantee.)

Ordered, That that a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Hanbury* do prepare, and bring it in.

West Highland Railway (Guarantee) Bill. Bill 4.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented a Bill for authorising the Treasury to guarantee the Interest on certain Capital of the West Highland Railway Company, and pay a Sum of Money to that Company: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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East India Revenue Accounts.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on *East India* Revenue Accounts;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Expiring Laws Continuance.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 19th day of this instant August, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue various Expiring Laws;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be brought in by Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Hanbury*, and Mr. *Jesse Collings*.

Expiring Laws (Continuance) Bill. Bill 5.

Mr. Attorney General accordingly presented a Bill to continue various Expiring Laws: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and be printed.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, it being then Two of the clock, on Thursday morning, until this day.

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THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Members take the Oath.

SEVERAL other Members took and subscribed the Oath.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Convict Prisons (England, &c.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Directors of Convict Prisons for the year 1894–95 (Parts I. and II.)

Prisons (England and Wales)

Copy of Eighteenth Report of the Commissioners of Prisons (*England* and *Wales*), with Appendix, for the year ended 31st March 1895 (Parts I. and II.)

Mines and Minerals.

Copy of Mining and Mineral Statistics of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the year 1894.

Polling Districts (Carnarvonshire.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Order made by the *Carnarvonshire* County Council, dividing the *Llanaelhaiarn* Polling District into two Polling Districts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Railways (General Report.)

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Report to the Board of Trade on the Capital, Traffic, and Expenditure of the Railway Companies of the United Kingdom for the year 1894.

Statistical Abstract (United Kingdom.)

Copy of Statistical Abstract for the United Kingdom in each of the last Fifteen Years, from 1880 to 1894. [Forty-second Number.]

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Mr. Secretary *Chamberlain* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Annual Report for 1894, No. 146 (*Gibraltar*.)

Cyprus.

Copy of Annual Reports on *Cyprus*, for 1893 and 1894.

Straits Settlements (Protected Malay States.)

Copy of Reports on the Protected *Malay* States for 1894.

South Africa.

Copy of Further Correspondence relating to certain Native Territories situated to the North East of *Zululand* (in continuation of [C. 7780]).

Divorces (Foreign Countries and British Colonies.)

Mr. Secretary *Chamberlain* also presented,—Further Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 30th day of July 1894, for a Return of the Number of Divorces granted in each of the *British* Colonies and Possessions, and in each of the principal Foreign Countries, together with the Population, in each year during the past Ten years (Part II., *British* Colonies).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

National Portrait Gallery.)

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-eighth Annual Report of the Trustees of the National Portrait Gallery to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, being for 1895.

Clarence Lane (Roehampton.)

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of this instant August, for a Return relative to *Clarence Lane* (*Roehampton*.)

Superannuations.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, under the Superannuation Act, 1859, dated 29th July 1895, declaring that, for the due and efficient performance of the duties of Chief Clerk in the Office of Solicitor to the Office of Her Majesty's Works, professional and other peculiar qualifications not ordinarily acquired in the Public Service were required.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series (No. 13, 1895.)

Mr. *Curzon* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Accession of *Siam* to the Convention signed at *Geneva*, 22nd August 1864, for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded in Armies in the Field, dated 29th June 1895.

Trade Reports (Annual Series.)

Copies of Diplomatic and Consular Reports on Trade and Finance, Nos. 1628 to 1631.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Charitable Endowments (West Riding of the County of York.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of August 1894, for a Return comprising (1) the Reports made to the Charity Commissioners, in the Result of an Inquiry held in every Parish wholly or partly within the Administrative County of the West Riding of *York* into Endowments, subject to the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1891, and appropriated in whole or in part for the Benefit of that County, or of any part thereof, together with the Reports on those Endowments of the Commissioners for Inquiring concerning Charities, 1818 to 1837; (2) a Digest showing, in the case of each such Parish, whether any, and, if any, what such Endowments are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners in the Parish; and (3) an Index, alphabetically arranged, of Names and Places mentioned in the Reports.

Public Works Loans [Remission.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider of authorising the remission of certain Debts due to the Public Works Loan Commissioners, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to grant Money for the purpose of certain Local Loans, and for other purposes relating to Local Loans;

Mr. *Hanbury*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted

acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

New Member Sworn

James Patrick Farrell, Esquire, Member for the County of *Cavan* (*West Cavan* Division), was sworn.

Public Accounts. No. 441.

Mr. *Arthur O'Connor* reported from the Committee of Public Accounts; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with Minutes of Proceedings.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons.)

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons) have leave to make a Special Report.

Special Report. No. 442.

Lord *Stanley* reported from the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons); That they had considered the matter to them referred, and had directed him to make a Special Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Canadian Speaker (Appointment of Deputy.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for removing Doubts as to the Validity of an Act passed by the Parliament of the Dominion of *Canada* respecting the Deputy Speaker of the Senate: And that Mr. Secretary *Chamberlain* and Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* do prepare, and bring it in.

Canadian Speaker (Appointment of Deputy) Bill. Bill 6.

Mr. Secretary *Chamberlain* accordingly presented a Bill for removing Doubts as to the Validity of an Act passed by the Parliament of the Dominion of *Canada* respecting the Deputy Speaker of the Senate: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class II.

1. £. 88,376, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board in *Ireland*, including various Grants in Aid of Local Taxation.

2. £. 20,537, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Works in *Ireland*.

Class III.

3. £. 36,661, to complete the Sum for Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in *Ireland*.

4. £. 64,395, to complete the Sum for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature and of certain other Legal Departments in *Ireland* as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 33,733, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the *Irish* Land Commission:—Debate arising;

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Question put, and agreed to.

6. £. 63,104, to complete the Sum for the Salaries, Allowances, Expenses, and Pensions of various County Court Officers, of Divisional Commissioners, and of Magistrates in *Ireland*, and the Expenses of Revision.

7. £. 56,178, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioner of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of *Dublin*.

8. £. 675,461, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of the Royal *Irish* Constabulary.

9. £. 69,883, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of the General Prisons Board in *Ireland*, and of the Prisons under their control, and of the Registration of Habitual Criminals.

10. £. 56,095, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of Reformatory and Industrial Schools in *Ireland*.

11. £. 3,795, to complete the Sum for the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the *Dundrum* Criminal Lunatic Asylum, *Ireland*.

Class IV.

12. £. 528,807, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland*.

13. £. 605, to complete the Sum for the Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners for managing certain School Endowments in *Ireland*.

14. £. 1,254, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery of *Ireland*.

15. £. 2,450, to complete the Sum for a Grant in Aid of the Expenses of the Queen's Colleges in *Ireland*.

Class VI.

16. £. 11,966, to complete the Sum for a Grant in Aid of the Local Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in *Ireland*.

17. £. 6,846, to complete the Sum for Hospitals and Infirmaries, and certain Miscellaneous, Charitable, and other Allowances in *Ireland*.

Class VII.

18. £. 7,692, to complete the Sum for the Salaries and other Expenses of Temporary Commissions and Committees, including Special Inquiries.

19. £. 22,800 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 21,800), to complete the Sum for certain Expenditure in connection with the Relief of Distress in *Ireland*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *James William Lowther* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [28th August] Report.

Sir *Michael Hicks Beach* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class III.

Law Officers (Legal Charges.)

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 34,408, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in

in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries of the Law Officers' Department; the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, Queen's Proctor, and Director of Public Prosecutions; the Costs of Prosecutions, of other Legal Proceedings, and of Parliamentary Agency.

Miscellaneous Legal Expenses.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 21,932, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for certain Miscellaneous Legal Expenses.

Supreme Court of Judicature.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 177,858, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.

Land Registry.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,074, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Land Registry.

County Courts.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 15,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses connected with the County Courts.

Police Courts (London and Sheerness.)

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,663, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Police Courts of *London* and *Sheerness*.

Metropolitan Police.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 37,507, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries of the Commissioner and Assistant Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, and of the Receiver for the Metropolitan Police District, the Pay and Expenses of Officers of Metropolitan Police employed on Special Duties, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspectors of Constabulary.

Prisons in England, Wales, and the Colonies.)

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 383,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the Prisons in *England*, *Wales*, and the Colonies.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Great Britain.)

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 131,003, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defrsy the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expense of the Maintenance of Juvenile Offenders in Reformatory, Industrial, and Day Industrial Schools in *Great Britain*, and of the Inspectors of Reformatories.

Broadmoor Criminal Lunatic Asylum (England.)

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 18,177, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the *Broadmoor* Criminal Lunatic Asylum.

Class IV.

Public Education (England and Wales)

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,335,485, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defrav the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Public Education in *England* and *Wales*, including Expenses of the Education Office in *London*.

Science and Art Department.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 387,155, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Science and Art, and of the various Establishments connected therewith.

British Museum.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 114,205 (including a Supplementary Sum of £ 30,421), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the *British* Museum, including the Amount required for the Natural History Museum.

National Gallery.

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 8,340 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 5,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery.

National Portrait Gallery.

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,065 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 750), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Portrait Gallery.

Scientific Investigation, &c.

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 14,527, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for sundry Grants in Aid of Scientific Investigation, &c. in the United Kingdom.

Universities and Colleges, Great Britain.

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 58,339 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 3,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Grants in Aid of the Expenses of certain Universities and Colleges in *Great Britain*, and of the Expenses under "The *Welsh* Intermediate Education Act, 1889."

London University.

18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the University of *London*.

Class IV.

Public Education (Scotland.)

19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 530,262, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Public Education in *Scotland*.

Board of Trustees for Manufactures (Scotland.)

20. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for a Grant to the Board of Trustees for Manufactures in *Scotland* in aid of the maintenance of the National Gallery, School of Art, and Museum of Antiquities, *Scotland*.

Class V.

Uganda and British Central Africa Protectorates (Grants in Aid.)

21. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 38,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in

in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Grants in Aid of Expenses connected with the *British* Protectorates in *Uganda* and in *Central Africa*.

Pacific Islanders' Protection Act, 1875.

22. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 59,372. be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid, together with Expenses incurred under "The *Pacific Islanders'* Protection Act, 1875," and certain Charges connected with *South Africa*.

Cyprus (Grant in Aid.)

23. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for a Grant in Aid of the Revenue of the Island of *Cyprus*.

Suppression of the Slave Trade.

24. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 140, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Expenses in connection with the Suppression of the Slave Trade, and the Expenses of the Maintenance of certain Liberated *Africans*.

Telegraph Companies.

25. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 28,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Subsidies to certain Telegraph Companies.

Class VI.

Superannuation and Retired Allowances.

26. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 253,841, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Superannuation, Retired, and Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities under sundry Statutes, and for Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities awarded by the Treasury, and for the Salaries of Medical Referees.

Merchant Service (Pensions.)

27. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for certain Pensions to Masters and Seamen of the Merchant Service, and to their Widows and Children.

Friendly Societies.

28. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 27,154, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, to make good the Sum by which the Interest accrued in the year ended 20th November 1894, from Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners, on account of "The Fund for the Banks of Savings" and "The Fund for Friendly Societies" is insufficient to meet the Interest which the said Commissioners are obliged by Statute to Pay and Credit during such latter mentioned year to Trustees of Savings Banks and to Friendly Societies.

Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances (Great Britain.)

29. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 651, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for certain Miscellaneous Charitable and other Allowances in *Great Britain*.

Class VII.

Miscellaneous Expenses.

30. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,069, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for certain Miscellaneous Expenses.

Highlands and Islands of Scotland.

31. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 22,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Grants in Aid of Expenditure upon certain Public Works, and for improved Communications, and other purposes, within the Highlands and Islands of *Scotland*.

Local Loans Fund (Grant-in-Aid.)

32. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 18,697, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, as a Grant in Aid to make good certain amounts written off from the Assets of the Local Loans Fund.

Civil Contingencies Fund.

33. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,052, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Repayment to the Civil Contingencies Fund of certain Miscellaneous Advances.

Revenue Departments.

Customs Department.

34. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 644,365, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Customs Department.

Inland Revenue Department.

35. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,368,047, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, it being then a quarter of an hour after Two of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

Friday, 30th August, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Member takes the Oath.

ONE other Member took and subscribed the Oath.

Public Petition.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Divorces (Foreign Countries and British Colonies.) No. 443.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Divorces (Foreign Countries and *British* Colonies), which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant August, be printed.

Charitable Endowments (West Riding of the County of York.) No. 444.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Charitable Endowments (West Riding of the County of *York*), which was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House upon the 29th day of this instant August, be printed.

Superannuation Act, 1884.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute under the Superannuation Act, 1884, dated the 22nd August 1895, declaring that *Thomas Smith*, Artificer, Royal Small Arms Factory, *Enfield*, War Department, was appointed without a Civil Service Certificate through inadvertence on the part of the Head of his Department.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir

Seal Fisheries (North Pacific) Act, 1895.

Sir *John Gorst* presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Order in Council, under the Seal Fisheries (North *Pacific*) Act, 1895, dated 24th August 1895, entitled the Seal Fisheries (North *Pacific*) Order in Council, 1895.

Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Foreign Jurisdiction Act, 1890, dated 24th August 1895, with respect to the exercise of Her Majesty's Jurisdiction in the Territories adjacent to the Colony of *Sierra Leone*.

Merchant Shipping Act, 1894.

Copy of Order in Council, under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, dated 24th August 1895, approving Bye-laws made by the Trinity House of *Kingston-upon-Hull*, fixing the Rates of Pilotage between *Hull* and *Goole*.

Technical Instruction Act, 1889.

Copies of Minutes by the Right Honourable the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on Education, under the Technical Instruction Act, 1889, sanctioning the Subjects to be taught under Clause 8 of the Act for the following Counties and County Borough:—

County of *Cambridge* (Third Minute), dated 13th July 1895;

County of *Chester* (Sixth Minute), dated 13th July 1895;

County Borough of *Cardiff* (Second Minute), dated 19th July 1895;

County of *Anglesey*, dated 14th August 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Historical Manuscripts (Royal Commission.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Appendix to the Fourteenth Report of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts, Part VIII. (MSS. of *Lincoln*, *Bury St. Edmunds*, and *Great Grimsby* Corporations, and of the Deans and Chapters of *Worcester* and *Lichfield*, &c.); Part IX. (MSS. of the Earl of *Buckinghamshire*, Lord *Emly*, the Earl of *Onslow*, *James Round*, Esquire, M.P., and *Theodore J. Hare*, Esquire); and Part X. (MSS. of the Earl of *Dartmouth*, Vol. II. *American* Papers); and Calendar of the Marquess of *Salisbury*'s MSS., Part VI.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army.

Mr. *Brodrick* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Annual Return of the *British* Army for the year 1894, with Abstracts, &c.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Telegraphs (South and East Africa.) No. 445.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of Agreements (1) dated the 9th day of July 1895, between the Treasury, the Colonial Governments of the *Cape of Good Hope* and *Natal*, and the *British South Africa* Company, respectively, and the Eastern and *South African* Telegraph Company; and (2) dated the 10th day of July 1895, between the Treasury and the same Telegraph Company, providing for a Reduction in the Charges for Telegrams between *South Africa*, certain places on the East Coast of *Africa*, *Mauritius* and *Seychelles* on the one hand and *Europe* on the other; and of Treasury Minute thereon.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Orders (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 10) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 17) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 18) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 19) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 19) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Order (No. 20) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Order (No. 20) Bill, without Amendment.

Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Military Lands Provisional Order (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class V.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 215,089, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of Her Majesty's Embassies and Missions Abroad, and of the Consular Establishments Abroad and other Expenditure chargeable on the Consular Vote:

Whereafter Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A (Salaries), be reduced by £. 100, in respect of the Salary of the Agent in *Egypt*—(Dr. *Clark*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid, together with Expenses incurred under "The *Pacific* Islanders' Protection Act, 1875," and certain Charges connected with *South Africa*:

Whereafter Motion made, and Question, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 19,000, be granted for the said Service—(Mr. *Gedge*)——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. £. 20,000, in connection with the Construction, &c., of the *Uganda* Railway.

Revenue Departments.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,333,840, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office Services, the Expenses of Post Office Savings Banks, and Government Annuities and Insurances, and the Collection of the Post Office Revenue:

Whereafter Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item A (Salaries) be reduced by £. 100, in respect of the Salary of the Postmaster General—(Mr. *Pickersgill*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.

After Debate thereon;

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Question put, "That the Question be now put;"

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 126.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Daly*, Captain *Donelan*: } 29.

Original Question put accordingly;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 131.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Daly*, Captain *Donelan*: } 27.

5. £. 541,823, to complete the Sum for the Expense of the Post Office Packet Service.

6. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,605,588, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Working Expenses of the Post Office Telegraph Service;

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Question put, and agreed to.

Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

7. £. 1,267,100, to complete the Sum for Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the Cost of Victualling Establishments at Home and Abroad.

8. £. 131,400, to complete the Sum for Medical Services, including the Cost of Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad.

9. £. 9,600, to complete the Sum for Martial Law, including the Cost of Naval Prisons at Home and Abroad.

10. £. 74,400, to complete the Sum for Educational Services.

11. £. 57,400, to complete the Sum for Scientific Services.

12. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 195,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of the Royal Naval Reserve, Reserve of Retired Officers, Seamen Pensioners, and Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. *Flynn*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

13. Sec. 1. £. 1,710,000, to complete the Sum for the Personnel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance, including the Cost of Establishments of Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad.

14. Sec. 2. £. 2,405,000, to complete the Sum for the Materiel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance, including the cost of Establishments of Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad.

15. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,543,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Naval Armaments, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Dr. *Tanner*);

Member directed to discontinue his Speech.

The Chairman having called the attention of the Committee to the tedious Repetition of his own Arguments on the part of Dr. *Tanner*, Member for Mid Cork, directed him to discontinue his speech.

Question put, and negatived.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereafter Motion made, and Question, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,293,200, be granted for the said Service—(Dr. *Tanner*)——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

16. £. 497,000, to complete the Sum for Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad, including the cost of Superintendence, Purchase of Sites, Grants in Aid, and other Charges connected therewith.

17. £. 126,800, to complete the Sum for various Miscellaneous Effective Services.

18. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 217,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896:

Whereafter Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Dr. *Tanner*):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.

Chairman declines to propose Question (Abuse of Rules.)

Mr. *Weir* moved, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again: but the Chairman, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, declined to propose the Question thereupon to the Committee.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

19. £. 711,300, to complete the Sum for Half Pay,

Pay, Reserved, and Retired Pay to Officers of the Navy and Marines.

20. £. 907,900, to complete the Sum for Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances.

21. £. 287,300, to complete the Sum for Civil Pensions and Gratuities.

22. £. 10,300, to complete the Sum necessary to be provided for under the Arrangement made between the Imperial and *Australasian* Governments, for the Protection of Floating Trade in *Australasian* Waters.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *James William Lowther* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply [29th August] Report.

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class II.

Local Government Board (Ireland)

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 88,376, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Local Government Board in *Ireland*, including various Grants in Aid of Local Taxation.

Public Works Office (Ireland.)

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,537, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Public Works in *Ireland*.

Class III.

Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges (Ireland.)

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 36,661, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in *Ireland*.

Supreme Court of Judicature (Ireland.)

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 64,395, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for such of the Salaries and Expenses of the Supreme Court of Judicature and of certain other Legal Departments in *Ireland* as are not charged on the Consolidated Fund.

Irish Land Commission.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 33,733, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the *Irish* Land Commission.

County Court Officers (Ireland.)

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 63,104, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries, Allowances, Expenses, and Pensions of various County Court Officers, of Divisional Commissioners, and of Magistrates in *Ireland*, and the Expenses of Revision.

Dublin Metropolitan Police.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 56,178, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioner of Police, the Police Courts, and the Metropolitan Police Establishment of *Dublin*.

Constabulary Force (Ireland.)

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 675,461, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the Royal *Irish* Constabulary.

Prisons (Ireland.)

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 69,883, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the General Prisons Board in *Ireland*, and of the Prisons under their control, and of the Registration of Habitual Criminals.

Reformatory and Industrial Schools (Ireland.)

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 56,095, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of Reformatory and Industrial Schools in *Ireland*.

Dundrum Criminal Lunatic Asylum (Ireland.)

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,795, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Maintenance of Criminal Lunatics in the *Dundrum* Criminal Lunatic Asylum, *Ireland*.

Class IV.

National Education (Ireland.)

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 528,807, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland*.

Education, Ireland (Endowed Schools.)

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 605, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners for managing certain School Endowments in *Ireland*.

National Gallery (Ireland.)

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,254, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the National Gallery of *Ireland*.

Queen's Colleges (Ireland.)

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,450, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for a Grant in Aid of the Expenses of the Queen's Colleges in *Ireland*.

Class VI.

Pauper Lunatics.

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,966, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for a Grant in Aid of the Local Cost of Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics in *Ireland*.

Miscellaneous, Charitable, and other Allowances (Ireland.)

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,846, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for Hospitals and Infirmaries,

Infirmaries, and certain Miscellaneous, Charitable, and other Allowances in *Ireland*.

Class VII.

Temporary Commissions.

18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,692, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and other Expenses of Temporary Commissions and Committees, including Special Inquiries.

Relief of Distress (Ireland.)

19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 22,800 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 21,800), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for certain Expenditure in connection with the Relief of Distress in *Ireland*.

The said Resolutions being read a second time;

The first eleven Resolutions were agreed to.

The Twelfth Resolution was postponed.

The subsequent Resolutions were agreed to.

Ordered, That the postponed Resolution be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Navy and Army Expenditure 1893-94.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Navy and Army Expenditure, 1893–94.

(In the Committee.)

1. Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1894, and the Statement appended thereto, read, whereby it appears, as follows, *viz.*:—

(a.) That the Gross Expenditure for certain Navy Services exceeded the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 175,748. 14 *s.* 7 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 1 of the Schedule hereto appended; while the Gross Expenditure for other Navy Services fell short of the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 145,997. 19 *s.* 2 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 2 of the said appended Schedule, so that the Gross Actual Expenditure for the whole of the Navy Services exceeded the Gross Estimated Expenditure by the Net Sum of £. 29,750. 15 *s.* 5 *d.*;

(b.) That the Receipts in Aid of certain Navy Services fell short of the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 54,985. 0 *s.* 5 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 3 of the said appended Schedule; while the Receipts in Aid of other Navy Services exceeded the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 18,289. 4 *s.* 4 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 4 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Total Actual Receipts in Aid of the Grants for Navy Services fell short of the Total Estimated Receipts by the Net Sum of £. 36,695. 16 *s.* 1 *d.*;

(c.) That the resulting Differences between the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services and the Net Expenditure are as follows, *viz.*:—

	£.	s.	d.
Total Surpluses -	133,236	1	6
Total Deficits - -	199,682	13	–

2. That the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application, in Reduction of the Net Charge on Exchequer Grants for certain Navy Services, of the whole of the Sums received in Excess of the Estimated Appropriations in Aid, in respect of the same Services; and have also temporarily authorised the Application of the said Total Surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services towards meeting the said Total Deficits on other Grants for Navy Services.

3. *Resolved*, That the Application of such Sums be sanctioned.

Schedule.

Number of Vote.	Navy Services, 1893-94. Votes.	Gross Expenditure. Excesses of Actual over Estimated Gross Expenditure. 1.	Gross Expenditure. Surpluses of Estimated over Actual Gross Expenditure. 2.	Appropriations in Aid. Deficiencies of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts. 3.	Appropriations in Aid. Surpluses of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts. 4.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d	£. s. d
1 - -	Wages, &c. of Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines - - -	- -	28,124 19 0	10,362 13 4	
2 - -	Victualling and Clothing for the Navy - -	24,165 1 2	- -	16,326 14 1	
3 - -	Medical Establishments and Services - -	2,001 17 1	- -	196 13 2	
4 - -	Martial Law - - -	- -	1,196 12 5	- -	1 6 4
5 - -	Educational Services -	- -	3,859 1 2	- -	1,435 9 3
6 - -	Scientific Services - -	- -	359 7 10	- -	617 7 5
7 - -	Royal Naval Reserves -	7,007 4 7	- -	- -	18 4 2
8 - -	Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c.:				
Sec. 1	Personnel - -	6,574 2 4	- -	7,336 4 5	
Sec. 2	Matériel - - -	66,683 12 7	- -	- -	5,902 12 7
Sec. 3	Contract Work - -	- -	57,464 9 2	3,601 6 4	
9 - -	Naval Armaments - -	- -	48,838 9 10	9,588 15 10	
10 - -	Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad - - -	8,150 17 6	- -	3,041 2 2	
11 - -	Miscellaneous Effective Services - - -	29,418 3 4	- -	- -	15 6 7
12 - -	Admiralty Office - -	- -	1,937 10 1	- -	- 19 -
13 - -	Half-Pay, Reserved and Retired Pay - - -	- -	4,217 9 8	1,519 7 2	
14 - -	Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances - - -	17,063 6 3	- -	2,938 3 1	
15 - -	Civil Pensions and Gratuities - - - -	2,151 3 3	- -	74 - 10	
16 - -	Additional Naval Force for Service in Australasian Waters - -	42 16 -	- -	- -	10,278 - -
	Amount written off as irrecoverable - -	12,490 10 6			
		175,748 14 7	145,997 19 2	54,985 - 5	18,289 4 4
		Net Deficit, £. 29,750 15 5		Net Deficit, £. 36,695 16 1	
	Total Deficit - - - - -				£. 66,446 11 6
	Net Sum due from the Naval Defence Account, under 52 Vic. c. 8, s. 3 (2) - - - - -				16,927 2 4
	Net Deficit, as voted by House of Commons - - - - -				£. 49,519 9 2

4. Army Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1894, and the Statement appended thereto, read, whereby it appears, after the adjustment of charge of a Sum of £. 2,657. 6 *s.* 9 *d.*, as follows, *viz.*:—

(a.) That the Gross Expenditure for certain Army Services exceeded the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 66,768. 19 *s.* 9 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 1 of the Schedule hereto appended; while the Gross Expenditure for other Army Services fell short of the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 130,174. 17 *s.* 8 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 2 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Gross Actual Expenditure for the whole of the Army Services fell short of the Gross Estimated Expenditure by the Net Sum of £. 63,405. 17 *s.* 11 *d.*;

(b.) That the Receipts in Aid of certain Army Services fell short of the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 45,675. 4 *s.* 10 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 3 of the said appended Schedule; while the Receipts in Aid of other Army Services exceeded the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 46,806. 11 *s.* 2 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 4 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Total Actual Receipts in Aid of the Grants for Army Services exceeded the

the Total Estimated Receipts by the Net Sum of £. 1,131. 6*s.* 4*d.*;

(c.) That the resulting Differences between the Exchequer Grants for Army Services and the Net Expenditure are as follows, *viz.*:—

	£.	s.	d.
Total Surpluses -	136,159	1	6
Total Deficits - -	71,621	17	3

5. That the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the Application, in Reduction of the Net Charge on Exchequer Grants for certain Army Services, of the whole of the Sums received in Excess of the Estimated Appropriations in Aid, in respect of the same Services, and have also temporarily authorised the Application of so much of the said Total Surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services as is necessary to cover the said Total Deficits on other Grants for Army Services.

6. *Resolved*, That the Application of such Sums be sanctioned.

Schedule.

Number of Votes.	Army Services, 1893-94. Votes.	Gross Expenditure. Excesses of Actual over Estimated Gross Expenditure. 1.	Gross Expenditure. Surpluses of Estimated over Actual Gross Expenditure. 2.	Appropriations in Aid. Deficiencies of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts. 3.	Appropriations in Aid. Surpluses of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts. 4.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1	Pay, &c. of Army (General Staff, Regiments, Reserve, and Departments - -	- -	61,446 - 1	21,332 3 3	
2	Medical Establishments: Pay, &c. - - - - -	1,766 9 -	- -	- -	195 10 4
3	Militia: Pay and Allowances - - - - -	- -	3,818 1 9	85 16 7	
4	Yeomanry Cavalry: Pay and Allowances - -	1,757 9 3	- -	9 9 -	
5	Volunteer Corps: Pay and Allowances - - -	16,237 8 5	- -	- -	280 6 11
6	Transport and Remounts -	23,692 4 4	- -	- -	794 12 5
7	Provisions, Forage, and other Supplies - - - -	- -	732 19 -	- -	13,997 16 6
8	Clothing Establishments and Services - - - -	15,532 16 6	- -	- -	6 8 1
9	Warlike and other Stores, Supply and Repair - -	741 19 2	- -	- -	19,094 3 3
10	Works, Buildings, and Repairs: Cost, including Superintending Establishment - - - -	- -	33,634 2 -	13,298 17 7	
11	Military Educational Establishments: Pay and Miscellaneous Charges - -	- -	4,060 1 1	10,948 15 1	
12	Miscellaneous Effective Services - - - -	- -	5,689 18 1	- -	1,089 19 1
13	War Office: Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges -	- -	3,168 15 9	- 3 4	
14	Non-effective Charges for Officers, &c. - - -	- -	11,500 16 1	- -	7,074 4 6
15	Non-effective Charges for Men, &c. - - - -	- -	6,124 3 10	- -	4,297 1 6
16	Superannuation, Compensation, and Compassionate Allowances - - -	6,106 6 -	- -	- -	26 8 7
	Balances irrecoverable -	934 7 1			
		66,768 19 9	130,174 17 8	45,675 4 10	46,806 11 2
		Net Surplus, £. 63,405 17 11		Net Surplus, £. 1,131 6 4	
		Surplus surrendered to the Exchequer - £. 64,537 4 3			

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Public Works Loans Bill.

The Public Works Loans Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill.

The Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

East India Revenue Accounts.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *East India* Revenue Accounts;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Public Works Loans [Remission.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Public Works Loans [Remission].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to authorise the remission of certain Debts due from the Commissioners of *Anstruther* Union Harbour to the Public Works Loan Commissioners, also the remission of interest accrued on Loans to the *Donegal* Railway Company, and also the remission of certain Loans under the Labourers' Dwellings Act in *Ireland*, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to grant Money for the purpose of certain Local Loans, and for other purposes relating to Local Loans.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir *John Gorst* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Canadian Speaker (Appointment of Deputy) Bill.

The *Canadian* Speaker (Appointment of Deputy) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Berriew School.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to annul an Order in Council confirming a Scheme relating to a Foundation known as the *Berriew* School: And that Mr. Attorney General and Sir *John Gorst* do prepare, and bring it in.

Berriew School Bill.

Sir *John Gorst* accordingly presented a Bill to annul an Order in Council confirming a Scheme relating to a Foundation known as the *Berriew* School: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Bill 7.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, it being then Five o'clock on Saturday morning, till this day.

Saturday, 31*st August*, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Matrimonial Causes Act, 1878 (Separation Orders.) No. 446.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Matrimonial Causes Act, 1878 (Separation Orders), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant August, be printed.

Clarence Lane (Roehampton.) No. 447.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Clarence Lane* (*Roehampton*), which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant August, be printed.

Coal, Cinders, &c.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of this instant August, for Accounts relative to Coal, Cinders, &c.

Superannuation Act, 1887.

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Return for the year ended 31st March 1895, of the Army and Navy Officers permitted, under Rule 2 of the Regulations drawn up under Section 6 of "The Superannuation Act, 1887," to hold Civil Employment of Profit under Public Departments.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

London Water Companies Supply.

Mr. *Chaplin* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of this instant August, for a Return relative to the *London* Water Companies Supply.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Metropolitan Water Companies.

No. 448.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Accounts, as they are respectively made up, of the Metropolitan Water Companies to the 30th day of September and the 31st day of December 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No, 294, of Session 1894).

Mr. *T. W. Russell* accordingly presented the said Return.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

West Highland Railway Guarantee (Banavie to Mallaig Line.)

No. 449.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of Further Correspondence relating to the West Highland Railway Guarantee (*Banavie* to *Mallaig* Line) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 280, of Session (1) 1895).

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Limerick City Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Limerick*, in the room of *John Daly*, who, having been adjudged Guilty of Felony, and Sentenced to Penal Servitude for Life, and being now Imprisoned under such Sentence, is incapable of being elected or returned as a Member of this House.—(Captain *Donelan*.)

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Army Estimates, 1895–96.

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 177,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for the Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges of the War Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

After Debate thereon;

Question put (pursuant to S. O. Closure of Debate.)

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put";

Question put, "That the Question be now put";

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 123.

Tellers for the Noes, { Dr. *Tanner*, Mr. *Flynn*: } 18.

Question put accordingly, and agreed to.

2. £. 1,242,000 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 70,000), to complete the Sum for the Supply and Repair of Warlike and other Stores.

3. £. 192,000, to complete the Sum for the Pay, &c., of the Medical Establishment, and the Cost of Medicines, &c.

4. £. 360,000, to complete the Sum for the Pay and Allowances (exclusive of Supplies, Clothing, &c.) of the Militia (to a Number not exceeding 135,473, including 30,000 Militia Reserve).

5. £. 43.000, to complete the Sum for the Pay and Miscellaneous Charges of the Yeomanry Cavalry.

6. £. 554,200, to complete the Sum for Capitation Grants and Miscellaneous Charges of Volunteer Corps, including Pay, &c. of the Permanent Staff.

7. £. 427,000, to complete the Sum for Transport and Remounts.

8. £. 1,681,000, to complete the Sum for Provisions, Forage, and other Supplies.

9. £. 561,600, to complete the Sum for Clothing Establishments and Services.

10. £. 666,100, to complete the Sum for the Royal Engineer Superintending Staff, and Expenditure for Royal Engineer Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad (including Purchases).

11. £. 74,500, to complete the Sum for Establishments for Military Education.

12. £. 32,500, to complete the Sum for sundry Miscellaneous Effective Services.

13. £. 1,015,200, to complete the Sum for Retired Pay, Half-Pay, and other Non-Effective Charges for Officers and others.

14. £. 905,000, to complete the Sum for *Chelsea* and *Kilmainham* Hospitals and the In-Pensioners thereof, of Out-Pensions, of the Maintenance of Lunatics for whom Pensions are not drawn, and of Gratuities awarded in Commutation and in lieu of Pensions, of Rewards for Meritorious Services, of *Victoria* Cross Pensions, and of Pensions to the Widows and Children of Warrant Officers.

15. £. 119,400, to complete the Sum for Superannuation, Compensation, and Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Supply [30th August] Report.

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Services and Revenue Departments Estimates, 1895–96.

Class V.

Embassies and Missions Abroad.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 215,089, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of Her Majesty's Embassies and Missions Abroad, and of the Consular Establishments Abroad and other Expenditure chargeable on the Consular Vote.

Colonies (Grants in Aid) (Supplementary.)

2. That a Supplementary Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for sundry Colonial Services, including certain Grants in Aid, together with Expenses incurred under "The *Pacific* Islanders' Protection Act, 1875," and certain Charges connected with *South Africa*.

3. That

Uganda Railway.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, in connection with the Construction, &c. of the *Uganda* Railway

Revenue Departments.

Post Office Services.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,333,840, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Expenses of the Post Office Services, the Expenses of Post Office Savings Banks, and Government Annuities and Insurances, and the Collection of the Post Office Revenue.

Post Office Packet Service.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 541,823, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expense of the Post Office Packet Service.

Post Office Telegraph Service.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,605,588, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Salaries and Working Expenses of the Post Office Telegraph Service.

Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

Navy (Victuals and Clothing.)

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,267,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the Cost of Victualling Establishments at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Medical Services.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 131,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Medical Services, including the Cost of Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Martial Law.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Martial Law, including the Cost of Naval Prisons at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Educational Services.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 74,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of Educational Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Scientific Services.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 57,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of Scientific Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Naval Reserve.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 195,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of the Royal Naval Reserve, Reserve of Retired Officers, Seamen Pensioners, and Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance (Personnel.)

13. Sec. 1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,710,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of the Personnel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance, including the Cost of Establishments of Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance (Matériel.)

14. Sec. 2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,405,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of the Materiel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance, including the Cost of Establishments of Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Naval Armaments.

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,543,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Naval Armaments, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad.

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 497,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad, including the Cost of Superintendence, Purchase of Sites, Grants in Aid, and other Charges connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Miscellaneous Effective Services.

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 126,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of various Miscellaneous Effective Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Admiralty Office.

18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 217,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Half-Pay, &c. to Officers of the Navy and Marines.

19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 711,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Half Pay, Reserved, and Retired Pay, to Officers of the Navy and Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Naval and Marine Pensions.

20. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 907,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to aomplete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Civil Pensions and Gratuities.

21. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 287,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Civil Pensions and Gratuities, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Additional Naval Force for Service in Australasian Waters.

22. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 10,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense necessary to be provided for under the Arrangement made between the Imperial and *Australasian* Governments, for the protection of Floating Trade in *Australasian* Waters, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time;

The first six Resolutions were agreed to.

The subsequent Resolutions were postponed.

Ordered, That the Postponed Resolutions be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, the Sum of £. 37,094,087 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Navy and Army Expenditure, 1893–94.

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee on Navy and Army Expenditure, 1893-94, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1894, and the Statement appended thereto, as follows, *viz.*:—

(a.) That the Gross Expenditure for certain Navy Services exceeded the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 175,748. 14 *s.* 7 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 1 of the Schedule hereto appended; while the Gross Expenditure for other Navy Services fell short of the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 145,997. 19 *s.* 2 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 2 of the said appended Schedule, so that the Gross Actual Expenditure for the whole of the Navy Services exceeded the Gross Estimated Expenditure by the Net Sum of £. 29,750. 15 *s.* 5 *d.*;

(b.) That the Receipts in Aid of certain Navy Services fell short of the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 54,985. 0 *s.* 5 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 3 of the said appended Schedule; while the Receipts in Aid of other Navy Services exceeded the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 18,289. 4 *s.* 4 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 4 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Total Actual Receipts in Aid of the Grants for Navy Services fell short of the Total Estimated Receipts by the Net Sum of £. 36,695. 16 *s.* 1 *d.*;

(c.) That the resulting differences between the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services and the Net Expenditure are as follows, *viz.*:—

	£.	s.	d.
Total Surpluses -	133,236	1	6
Total Deficits - -	199,682	13	–

2. That the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application, in reduction of the Net Charge on Exchequer Grants for certain Navy Services, of the whole of the Sums received in excess of the estimated Appropriations in Aid, in respect of the same Services; and have also temporarily authorised the application of the said Total Surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services towards meeting the said Total Deficits on other Grants for Navy Services.

3. That the application of such Sums be sanctioned.

Schedule.

Number of Vote.	Navy Services, 1893-94. Votes.	Gross Expenditure. Excesses of Actual over Estimated Gross Expenditure. 1.	Gross Expenditure. Surpluses of Estimated over Actual Gross Expenditure. 2.	Appropriations in Aid. Deficiencies of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts. 3.	Appropriations in Aid. Surpluses of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts. 4.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1 - -	Wages, &c., of Officers, Seamen, and Boys, Coast Guard, and Royal Marines - - - -	- -	28,124 19 -	10,362 13 4	
2 - -	Victualling and Clothing for the Navy - - -	24,165 1 2	- -	16,326 14 1	
3 - -	Medical Establishments and Services - - - -	2,001 17 1	- -	166 13 2	
4 - -	Martial Law - - -	- -	1,196 12 5	- -	1 6 4
5 - -	Educational Services - -	- -	3,859 1 2	- -	1,455 8 3
6 - -	Scientific Services - -	- -	359 7 10	- -	617 7 5
7 - -	Royal Naval Reserves -	7,007 4 7	- -	- -	18 4 2
8 - -	Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c.:				
Sec. 1	Personnel - - -	6,574 2 4	- -	7,336 4 5	
Sec. 2	Materiel - - -	66,683 12 7	- -	- -	5,902 12 7
Sec. 3	Contract Work - -	- -	57,464 9 2	3,601 6 4	
9 - -	Naval Armaments - -	- -	48,838 9 10	9,588 15 10	
10 - -	Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad - - - -	8,150 17 6	- -	3,041 2 2	
11 - -	Miscellaneous Effective Services - - -	29,418 3 4	- -	- -	15 6 7
12 - -	Admiralty Office - -	- -	1,937 10 1	- -	- 19 -
13 - -	Half-Pay, Reserved and Retired Pay - - -	- -	4,217 9 8	1,519 7 2	
14 - -	Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances - -	17,063 6 3	- -	2,938 3 1	
15 - -	Civil Pensions and Gratuities - - - -	2,151 3 3	- -	74 - 10	
16 -	Additional Naval Force for Service in Australasian Waters - - - -	42 16 -	- -	- -	10,278 - -
	Amount written off as irrecoverable - - -	12,490 10 6			
		175,748 14 7	145,997 19 2	54,985 - 5	18,289 4 4
		Net Deficit, £. 29,750 15 5		Net Deficit, £. 36,695 16 1	

Total Deficit - - - - - - -	£. 66,446 11 6
Net Sum due from the Naval Defence Account, under 52 Vic. c. 8, s. 3 (2) - -	16,927 2 4
Net Deficit as voted by House of Commons -	£. 49,519 9 2

4. That it appears by the Army Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1894, and the Statement appended thereto, after the adjustment of charge of a Sum of £. 2,657 6 *s.* 9 *d.*, as follows, *viz.*:—

(a.) That the Gross Expenditure for certain Army Services exceeded the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 66,768. 19 *s.* 9 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 1 of the Schedule hereto appended; while the Gross Expenditure for other Army Services fell short of the Estimate of such Expenditure by a Total Sum of £. 130,174. 17 *s.* 8 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 2 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Gross Actual Expenditure for the whole of the Army Services fell short of the Gross Estimated Expenditure by the Net Sum of £. 63,405. 17 *s.* 11 *d.*;

(b.) That the Receipts in Aid of certain Army Services fell short of the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 45,675. 4 *s.* 10 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 3 of the said appended Schedule; while the Receipts in Aid of other Army Services exceeded the Estimate of such Receipts by a Total Sum of £. 46,806. 11 *s.* 2 *d.*, as shown in Column No. 4 of the said appended Schedule; so that the Total Actual Receipts in Aid of the Grants for Army Services exceeded the Total Estimated Receipts by the Net Sum of £. 1,131. 6 *s.* 4 *d.*;

(c.) That the resulting differences between the Exchequer Grants for Army Services and the Net Expenditure are as follows, *viz.*:—

	£.	s.	d.
Total Surpluses -	136,159	1	6
Total Deficits - -	71,621	17	3

5. That the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application, in reduction of the Net Charge on Exchequer Grants for certain Army Services,

vices, of the whole of the Sums received in Excess of the Estimated Appropriations in Aid, in respect of the same Services, and have also temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said Total Surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services as is necessary to cover the said Total Deficits on other Grants for Army Services.

6. That the application of such Sums be sanctioned.

Schedule.

Number of Vote.	Army Services, 1892-93. Votes.	Gross Expenditure. Excesses of Actual over Estimated Gross Expenditure. 1.	Gross Expenditure. Surpluses of Estimated over Actual Gross Expenditure. 2.	Appropriations in Aid. Deficiencies of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts. 3.	Appropriations in Aid. Surpluses of Actual as compared with Estimated Receipts. 4.
		£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
1	Pay, &c. of Army (General Staff, Regiments, Reserve, and Departments) - -	- -	61,446 - 1	21,332 3 3	
2	Medical Establishments: Pay, &c. - - - - - -	1,766 9 -	- -	- -	195 10 4
3	Militia: Pay and Allowances -	- -	3,818 1 9	85 16 7	
4	Yeomanry Cavalry: Pay and Allowances - - - -	1,757 9 3	- -	9 9 -	
5	Volunteer Corps; Pay and Allowances - - - -	16,237 8 5	- -	- -	280 6 11
6	Transport and Remounts -	23,692 4 4	- -	- -	794 12 5
7	Provisions, Forage, and other Supplies - - - -	- -	732 19 -	- -	13,997 16 6
8	Clothing Establishments, and Services - - - -	15,532 16 6	- -	- -	6 8 1
9	Warlike and other Stores, Supply, and Repair - -	741 19 2	- -	- -	19,094 3 3
10	Works, Buildings, and Repairs: Cost, including Superintending Establishment - - - - -	- -	33,634 2 -	13,298 17 7	
11	Military Educational Establishments: Pay and Miscellaneous Charges - -	- -	4,060 1 1	10,948 15 1	
12	Miscellaneous Effective Services - - - - - -	- -	5,689 18 1	- -	1,039 19 1
13	War Office: Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges - -	- -	3,168 15 9	- 3 4	
14	Non-effective Charges for Officers, &c. - - - -	- -	11,500 16 1	- -	7,074 4 6
15	Non-effective Charges for Men, &c. - - - - -	- -	6,124 3 10	- -	4,297 1 6
16	Superannuation, Compensation and Compassionate Allowances - - - -	6,106 6 -	- -	- -	26 8 7
	Balances irrecoverable - -	934 7 1			
		66,768 19 9	130,174 17 8	48,675 4 10	46,806 11 2
		Net Surplus, £. 63,405 17 11		Net Surplus, £. 1,131 6 4	
		Surplus surrendered to the Exchequer - £. 64,537 4 3			

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Public Works Loans [Remission.]

Mr. *James William Lowther* reported from the Committee on Public Works Loans [Remission], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the remission of certain Debts due from the Commissioners of *Anstruther* Union Harbour to the Public Works Loan Commissioners, also the remission of interest accrued on Loans to the *Donegal* Railway Company, and also the remission of certain Loans under the Labourers' Dwellings Act in *Ireland*, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session to grant Money for the purpose of certain Local Loans, and for other purposes relating to Local Loans.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Public Works Loans Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Works Loans Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 8, agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1, amended, and agreed to.
CLAUSES, N° 2 and N° 3, agreed to.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Purchase of Land (Ireland) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to re-enact Section Thirteen of the Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Act, 1891: And that Mr. *Gerald Balfour* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Purchase of Land (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

Mr. *Gerald Balfour* accordingly presented a Bill to re-enact Section Thirteen of the Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Act, 1891: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. Bill 8.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, it being then twenty-five minutes before Seven of the clock, till Monday next.

Monday, 2*nd September*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Members take the Oath.

SEVERAL other Members took and subscribed the Oath.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 3) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 7) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 14) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 15) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the

the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Public Petition.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Coal, Cinders, &c.
No. 450.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Coal, Cinders, &c., which was presented upon the 31st day of August last, be printed.

Superannuation Act, 1887.
No. 451.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Superannuation Act, 1887, which was presented upon the 31st day of August last, be printed.

London Water Companies Supply.
No. 452.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *London* Water Companies Supply, which was presented upon the 31st day of August last, be printed.

Secondary Education (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report for the year 1895, by *Henry Craik*, Esquire, C.B., on the Inspection of Higher Class Schools in *Scotland* and the Examination for Leaving Certificates.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India (Statistical Abstract.)

Secretary Lord *George Hamilton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Statistical Abstract relating to *British India* from 1884–85 to 1893–94. Twenty-ninth Number.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Civil Service Commission.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-ninth Report of Her Majesty's Civil Service Commissioners, with an Appendix.

Professors (Retirement.)

Copy of Report of Treasury Committee on the Retirement of Professors.

Government Property in the Provinces (Contributions in Lieu of Local Rates.)

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns showing (1) the Name of each Union, Parish, County, or Municipal Borough in which the Government occupies Property; (2) the Extent and Character of such Property; (3) the Valuation put upon such Property for Local Rating; (4) the Amount of Contribution paid to each Parish, County, or Municipal Borough in the last Financial Year; and (5) Special Acts of Parliament, if any, applicable to the Case:—

England and *Wales.*

Union.	Parish.	Extent and Character of the Government Property.		Valuation (Rateable Value) put upon the Government Property for Local Rating.	Total Valuation (Rateable Value) of each Parish.	Amount of Contribution paid to the Parish in the Year ended 31st day of March 1895.	Special Acts of Parliament (if any) applicable to the Case.
		Extent.	Character.				

Scotland.

County.	Parish or Burgh.	Extent and Character of the Government Property.		Valuation put upon the Government Property for Local Rating.	Total Valuation (Rateable Value) of each Parish or Burgh.	Amount of Contribution paid to the Parish or Burgh in the Year ended 31st day of March 1895.	Special Acts of Parliament (if any) applicable to the Case.
		Extent.	Character.				

Ireland.

County, or Municipal Borough.	Union.	Electoral Division.	Extent and Character of the Government Property.		Valuation put upon the Government Property for Local Rating.	Total Valuation (Rateable Value) of each Electoral Division.	Amount of Contribution paid to the County or Borough in the Year ended 31st day of March 1895.	Special Acts of Parliament (if any) applicable to the Case.
			Extent.	Character.				

Government Property (County of London.)

Return to an Order, dated the 22nd day of August last, for a Return relative to Government Property (County of *London*) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 124, of Session 1894).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Police (Metropolis.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for the year 1894.

Corporal Punishment (Sentences.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of August last, for Returns relative to Corporal Punishment (Sentences) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 114, of Session 1894).

Building Societies Act, 1894.

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Form prescribed by the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies for the Annual Account and Statement to be made by a Building Society to the Registrar under the Building Societies Act, 1894.

Polling Districts (Lancashire.)

Copy of Order of the County Council of *Lancashire*, dated the 6th August 1895, altering the Polling Districts in the *Eccles* Division of the County.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

National Education (Ireland.)

Mr. *Gerald Balfour* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Appendix to the Sixty-first Report of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland* for the year 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Railways (Continuous Brakes.)

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns by Railway Companies of the United Kingdom on the use of Continuous Brakes, for the Six Months ending the 30th June 1895.

Companies (Winding-up.)
No. 453.

Mr. *Ritchie* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Fourth General Annual Report by the Board of Trade, under Section 29 of "The Companies (Winding-up) Act, 1890."

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Companies (Winding-up) be printed.

Local Government Act, 1888.

Mr. *Chaplin* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Twelve Orders made by the County Councils, or Joint Committee of County Councils, of various Counties, &c. in *England* and *Wales* under the Local Government Act, 1888, and confirmed by the Local Government Board.

Local Government Act, 1888.

Copy of Order made by the Local Government Board under the Local Government Act, 1888, amending the Counties of *Denbigh* and *Flint* (*Cefn*) Confirmation Order, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered,

Metropolitan Water Companies.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, as regards each Water Company supplying Water in the Metropolis (a) the Name of each Metropolitan Parish where the Supply throughout the Parish is a Constant Supply; (b) the Name of each Metropolitan Parish where the Supply is a Constant Supply only in part of the Parish, and, in the case of each such Parish, a Description of part of the Parish where the Supply is constant; (c) with respect to each Parish at whose instance the Constant Supply was ordered or given; (d) the Name of each Metropolitan Parish where the Supply throughout the Parish is intermittent; (e) the Name of each Metropolitan Parish where the Supply is intermittent only in part of the Parish, and, in the case of each such Parish, a Description of the part of the Parish where the Supply is intermittent; and (f) with respect to each Parish or part of a Parish where the Supply is intermittent, the Period during which Water is supplied daily to the Premises of Consumers. —(Sir *Albert Rollit.*)

Sittings of the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Days on which the House sat in Session 2, 1895, stating, for each Day the Date of the Month, and Day of the Week, the Hour of the Meeting, and the Hour of Adjournment; and the Total Number of Hours occupied in the Sittings of the House, and the Average Time; and showing the Number of Hours on which the House sat each Day, and the Number of Hours after Midnight; and the Number of Entries in each Day's Votes and Proceedings (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.147, of Session 1, 1895).—(Mr. *T. W. Russell.*)

Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 25.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return respecting Application of Standing Order No. 25 (Closure of Debate) during Session 2, 1895 (in the same Form as, and in continuation of, Parliamentary Paper, No. 380, of Session 1, 1895.—(Mr .*T. W. Russell.*)

Divisions of the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before the House, a Return of the Number of Divisions of the House in Session II., 1995; stating the Subject of the Division, and the Number of Members in the Majority and Minority, Tellers included; also the aggregate Number in the House on each Division; distinguishing the Divisions on Public Business from Private; and also the Number of Divisions before and after Midnight (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 0.143, of Session I., 1895).—(Mr. *T. W. Russell.*)

County Courts (Plaints and Sittings.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House,—Returns from every County Court in *England* and *Wales* of the Total Number of Plaints, &c., entered in each Court from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December 1894, both days inclusive, distinguishing those not exceeding £. 20, those above £. 20 and not exceeding £. 50, and those by Agreement over £. 50:——And, of the Sittings of the County Courts in *England* and *Wales* holden before the Judges of such Courts in the year 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 289, of Session 1894).—(Mr. *Jesse Collings.*)

East India (Staff Corps Officers.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House,—Copies of Papers containing the Recommendations made by the Government of *India* in order to prevent the Supersession of Staff Corps Officers by those in the Line.—(Mr. *Henniker Heaton.*)

Supply [30th August] Report (Postponed Resolution.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Seventh to the Twenty-second of the Resolutions which, upon the 30th day of this instant August, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolutions were then postponed, and were as followeth:

Navy Estimates, 1895–96.

Victuals and Clothing.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,267,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the Cost of Victualling Establishments at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Medical Services.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 131,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Medical Services, including the Cost of Medical Establishments at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Martial Law.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary, to defray the Expense of Martial Law, including the Cost of Naval Prisons at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Educational Services.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 74,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of Educational Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Scientific Services.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 57,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of Scientific Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Naval Reserve.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 195,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of the Royal Naval Reserve, Reserve of Retired Officers, Seamen Pensioners, and Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance (Personnel.)

13. Sec. 1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,710,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of the Personnel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance, including the Cost of Establishments of Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance (Materiel.)

14. Sec. 2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,405,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of the Materiel for Shipbuilding, Repairs, and Maintenance, including the Cost of Establishments of Dockyards and Naval Yards at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Naval Armaments.

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,543,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Naval Armaments, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad.

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 497,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Works, Buildings, and Repairs at Home and Abroad, including the Cost of Superintendence, Purchase of Sites, Grants in Aid, and other Charges connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Miscellaneous Effective Services.

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 126,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of various Miscellaneous Effective Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Admiralty Office.

18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 217,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Half-Pay, &c. to Officers of the Navy and Marines.

19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 711,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Half Pay, Reserved, and Retired Pay, to Officers of the Navy and Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Naval and and Marine Pensions.

20. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 907,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Naval and Marine Pensions, Gratuities, and Compassionate Allowances, which will come in conrse of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Civil Pensions and Gratuities.

21. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 287,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Civil Pensions and Gratuities, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Additional Naval Force for Service in Australasian Waters.

22 That a Sum, not exceeding £. 10,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense necessary to be provided for under the Arrangement made between the Imperial and *Australasian* Governments, for the Protection of Floating Trade in *Australusian* Waters, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

And the said Resolutions were agreed to.

Supply [29th August] Report (Postponed Resolution.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Twelfth of the Resolutions which, upon the 29th day of this instant August, was reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was then postponed, as followeth:

National Education (Ireland.)

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 528,807, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, for the Expenses of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland.*

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Supply [31st August] Report.

Mr. *Hanbury* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Army Estimates, 1895–96.

Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges of the War Office.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 177,300, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for the Salaries and Miscellaneous Charges of the War Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Warlike and other Stores.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,242,000 (including a Supplementary Sum of £. 70,000), be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for the Supply and Repair of Warlike and other Stores, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Medical Establishment.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 192,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for the Pay, &c., of the Medical Establishment, and the Cost of Medicines, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Pay and Allowances (Militia and Militia Reserve.)

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 360,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for the Pay and Allowances (exclusive of Supplies, Clothing, &c.) of the Militia (to a number not exceeding 135,473, including 30,000 Militia Reserve), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Yeomanry Cavalry.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 43,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for the Pay and Miscellaneous Charges of the Yeomanry Cavalry, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Volunteer Corps.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 554,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Capitation Grants and Miscellaneous Charges of Volunteer Corps, including Pay, &c. of the Permanent Staff, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Transport and Remounts.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 427,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Transport and Remounts, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Provisions, Forage, &c.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,681,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Provisions, Forage, and other Supplies, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Clothing Establishments and Services.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 561,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Clothing Establishments and Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 666,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for the Royal Engineer Superintending Staff, and Expenditure for Royal Engineer Works, Buildings, and Repairs, at Home and Abroad (including Purchases), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Military Education.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 74,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Establishments for Military Education, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Miscellaneous Effective Services.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Sundry Miscellaneous Effective Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Retired Pay, &c.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,015,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Retired Pay, Half-Pay, and other Non-Effective Charges for Officers and others, which will come in course of payment

payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals.

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 905,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for *Chelsea* and *Kilmainham* Hospitals and the In-Pensioners thereof, of Out-Pensions, of the Maintenance of Lunatics for whom Pensions are not drawn, and of Gratuities awarded in Commutation and in lieu of Pensions, of Rewards for Meritorious Services, of *Victoria* Cross Pensions, and of Pensions to the Widows and Children of Warrant Officers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

Superannuation Allowances.

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 119,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Superannuation, Compensation, and Compassionate Allowances and Gratuities, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ways and Means [31st August.]

Mr. *Hanbury* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund.

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1896, the Sum of £. 37,094,087 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending on the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And that Mr. *James William Lowther*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. *Hanbury* do prepare, and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

Mr. *James William Lowther* accordingly presented a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending on the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Public Offices (Acquisition of Sites) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Canadian Speaker (Appointment of Deputy) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Canadian* Speaker (Appointment of Deputy) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Continuance of Acts in Schedule).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, to leave out the word "December" in order to insert the word "August."—(Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*.)

Question proposed, That the word "December" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

Schedule:—

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 35, to leave out the words "No. 26, 44 and 45 *Victoria*," to "50 and 51 *Victoria*, c. 20," in l. 37, both inclusive.—(Mr. *Timothy M. Healy*.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 136.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *William Abraham*, Mr. *Donal Sullivan*: } 22.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

West Highland Railway Guarantee Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the West Highland Railway Guarantee Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Berriew School Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the *Berriew* School Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 3rd September 1895:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day three months."—(Mr. *Brynmor Jones*.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Closure claimed, but Mr. Speaker withholds his assent.

Mr. *Balfour* rose in his place, and claimed to move, "That the Question be now put;" but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question.

Then the House resumed the Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 134.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Brynmor Jones*, Mr. *Herbert Lewis*: } 22.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time;

time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Greenwich Hospital.

Resolved, That the Statement of the Estimated Income and Expenditure of *Greenwich* Hospital and of *Travers'* Foundation for the year 1895–96 be approved.—(Mr. *Austen Chamberlain*.)

Post Office (Australian Mail Contracts.)

Resolved, That the Contracts, dated the 30th day of January 1895, entered into with the *Peninsular* and Oriental Steam Navigation Company and the *Orient* Steam Navigation Company for the conveyance of Mails to and from *Australia*, be approved.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

East India Revenue Accounts.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *East India* Revenue Accounts;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Purchase of Land (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

The Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Whereupon, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, it being then half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

Tuesday, 3rd *September*, 1895.

THE House met at Three of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A Member takes the Oath.

ONE other Member took and subscribed the Oath.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Government Property in the Provinces (Contribution in Lieu of Local Rates.) No. 454.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Government Property in the Provinces (Contributions in lieu of Local Rates), which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant September, be printed.

Government Property (County of London.) No. 455.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Government Property (County of *London*), which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant September, be printed.

Corporal Punishment (Sentences.) No. 456.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Corporal Punishment (Sentences), which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant September, be printed.

Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts. No. 457.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Treasury under the Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Act, 1891.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Board of Trade (Labour Department.)

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Annual Report on the Work of the Labour Department of the Board of Trade, 1894–95, with Abstract of Labour Statistics.

Strikes and Lock-outs.

Copy of Report by the Chief Labour Correspondent of the Board of Trade on the Strikes and Lock-Outs of 1894.

Foreign Prison-made Goods.

Copy of Report of the Departmental Committee appointed by the Board of Trade on the Importation into the United Kingdom of Foreign Prison-made Goods, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices.

Railway Accidents.

Copy of Returns of Accidents and Casualties as reported to the Board of Trade by the several Railway Companies in the United Kingdom during the Six Months ending 30th June 1895, together with Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Board of Trade upon certain Accidents which were inquired into.

Statistical Abstract (Colonies.)

Copy of Statistical Abstract for the several Colonial and other Possessions of the United Kingdom in each of the last Fifteen Years, from 1880 to 1894. [Thirty-second Number.]

Railway Servants (Hours of Labour.) No. 458.

Mr. *Ritchie* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report by the Board of Trade respecting the Proceedings of the Board of Trade under the Railway Regulation Act, 1893, 56 and 57 *Vic.* c. 29, during the year ended 27th July 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Railway Servants (Hours of Labour) be printed.

Local Government Board.

Mr. *Chaplin* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Supplement to the Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Local Government Board, 1894–95, containing Regulations issued by the Board under the Local Government Act, 1894, and Circular Letters with reference to the provisions of that Act, subsequent to the 30th April 1894, and prior to the 1st April 1895.

Local Government Board.

Copy of Supplement of the Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Local Government Board: 1894–95, containing the Report of the Medical Officer for 1894–95.

Metropolitan Water Companies. No. 459.

Mr. *Chaplin* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant September, for a Return relative to Metropolitan Water Companies.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Metropolitan Water Companies be printed.

Navy (Courts Martial.)

Mr. *Goschen* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Returns of the Number of Courts Martial held upon Seamen of the Royal Navy and the Marines Afloat, during the year 1894, the Offences for which the Men were tried, the Sentences awarded, and the Punishments inflicted at Home and Abroad:——Of the Number of Summary Punishments inflicted:——And, similar Returns relating to the Royal Marines on Shore.

Navy (Health.)

Copy of Statistical Report of the Health of the Navy for the year 1894.

Navy (Sea-going War Ships, &c.) No. 460.

Mr. *Goschen* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of August last, for Returns relative to Navy (Sea-going Warships, &c.) (in continuation of Parliamentary Papers, No. 396, of Session 1890–91, and No. 372, of Session 1893-94, and of No. 299, of Session 1894).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table: and that the Return relative to Navy (Sea-going War Ships, &c.), be printed.

Africa (No. 9, 1895.)

Mr. *Curzon* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Administration of the *Niger* Coast Protectorate, 1894–95 (in continuation of *Africa* (No. 1, 1895).

United States (No. 1, 1895.)

Copy of Correspondence respecting Claims for Compensation on account of *British* Vessels seized in *Behring Sea* by United States Cruisers.

Treaty Series (No. 14, 1895.)

Copy of Additional Convention supplementary to the Convention of 18th June 1888, respecting the Exchange of Postal Parcels between *Great Britain* and *France*. Signed at *Paris*, 9th July 1895. Ratifications exchanged at *Paris*, 22nd August 1895.

Copy

Colonial and Foreign Imports (Fiscal Advantages) (Commercial, No. 5, 1895.)

Copy of Reports from Her Majesty's Representatives on the Fiscal Advantages accorded by certain Foreign Countries to Goods imported from their Colonial Possessions, and conversely by the said Colonial Possessions to Goods from their Mother Country.

Agricultural Credit Associations (Commercial, No. 6, 1895.)

Copy of Reports from Her Majesty's Representatives Abroad on the *Raiffeisen* System of Co-operative Agricultural Credit Associations.

Foreign Bounties (Commercial, No. 7, 1895.)

Copy of Reports by Her Majesty's Representatives Abroad on Bounties other than those on Shipping and Navigation paid by the State in the Countries in which they reside.

Foreign Bounties (Shipping and Navigation) (Commercial, No. 8, 1895.)

Copy of Reports by Her Majesty's Representatives Abroad on Bounties on the construction and running of Ships paid by the State in the Countries in which they reside.

Trade Reports (Index) (Commercial, No. 9, 1895.)

Copy of Index to Reports of Her Majesty's Diplomatic and Consular Representatives Abroad on Trade and Subjects of General Interest (with Appendix), 1886 to 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sittings of the House.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant September, for a Return relative to Sittings of the House.

Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 25.)

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant September, for a Return relative to Closure of Debate (Standing Order, No. 25).

No. 461.

Divisions of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of this instant September, for a Return relative to the Divisions of the House.

Charitable Endowments (London.)

Further Return to an Order, dated the 2nd day of August 1894, for a Return relative to Charitable Endowments (*London*).

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Sittings of the House, Closure of Debate (Standing Order, No. 25), and Divisions of the House, be printed.

Coal Tables.

No. 462.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Statement showing the Coal Production, Consumption, Number of Persons employed, in the Principal Countries of the World, in each year from 1883 to 1894 as far as the Particulars can be stated.

Mr. *Ritchie* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Land Registry Office.

No. 463.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Work done in the Land Registry under the various Acts hereinafter mentioned, namely:—

1. Under the Land Transfer Act, 1875 ("Lord *Cairns*' Act"):—
   (a) The Number, Value, and Acreage (where known) of Estates, the Titles to which were annually registered, on first Registration, from the 1st day of January 1882 to the 31st day of December 1894, distinguishing the period before and after the Rules of 1889, and showing the Numbers of Estates registered with absolute, qualified, and possessory Title, and Leaseholds, and also the Number of Estates registered under the Small Holdings Act, 1892;
   (b) The Total Number of separate Titles on the Register on the 31st day of December 1894 (i.) by first Registration, (ii.) by sub-division of Estates already registered, and (iii.) by transfer from the 1862 Register.

2. Under the Land Registry Act, 1862 (Lord *Westbury's* Act):—
   (a) The Total Number, Value, and Acreage (where known) of Estates the Titles to which were registered on first Registration;
   (b) The Total Number of separate Titles on the Register on the 31st day of December 1894 (i.) by first Registration, and (ii.) by sub-division of Estates already registered;
   (c) The Total Number of separate Titles which had been removed from the Register on the 31st day of December 1894 otherwise than by transfer to the 1875 Register.

3. Under both the Acts of 1875 and 1862:—
   (a) The Total Number and Value (where known) of separate Titles on the Register on the 31st day of December 1894;
   (b) The Total Number and Value (where known) of transactions annually registered from the 1st day of January 1889 to the 31st day of December 1894, showing the Numbers of (i) First Registrations under the Act of 1875; (ii) Conveyances, Transfers, and Transmissions of Land; (iii) Mortgages, Charges, further Charges, and Transfers of Mortgages and Charges; (iv) Reconveyances of Mortgages and Cessations of Charges; (v) Leases and Surrenders of Leases; (vi) Miscellaneous;
   (c) A General Statement as to the work of the Mapping Department since its establishment in the Office in February 1889.

4. Under the Mortgage Debenture Acts, 1865 and 1870, and the Improvement of Land Act, 1864:—
   A Statement, so far as may be practicable, of the Nature and Amount of the Work done under these Acts during the last ten years.

5. Under the Land Charges Registration and Searches Act, 1888:—
   The Number of Registrations, Official Searches, and Ordinary Searches annually made down to the 31st day of December 1894.

6. Under the *Middlesex* Registry Act, 1708, and the Land Registry (*Middlesex* Deeds) Act, 1891:—
   The Number of Registrations and Searches annually made from the 1st day of January 1892 to the 31st day of December 1894;

——And, a Return, in continuation of the Return No. 334, of the year 1882, showing the Amount of Fees received each year, and the Amount of Salaries and Expenses each year in the Land Registry from the 1st day of April 1881 to the 31st day of March 1895.

Mr. *Hanbury* accordingly presented the said Returns.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill.

The Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

East India Revenue Accounts.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on *East India* Revenue Accounts;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being

being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Military Occupation (British India.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House views with apprehension the continual increase in the burdens of *Indian* taxpayers, caused by the annexation or Military occupation of large areas of unproductive territory on the land frontier of "*British India*" — (Mr. *Maclean*) — instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Walrond*, Mr. *Anstruther*: } 137.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Wedderburn*, Mr. *Henry Joseph Wilson*: } 28.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 4th September, 1895:

And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That it appears, by the Accounts laid before this House, that the Total Revenue of *India* for the year ending the 31st day of March 1894 was Rx. 90,565,214; that the Total Expenditure in *India* and in *England* charged against the Revenue was Rx. 92,112,212; that there was an Excess of Expenditure over Revenue of Rx. 1,546,998, and that the Capital Outlay on Railways and Irrigation Works was Rx. 3,621,252. —(Lord *George Hamilton*.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

The Expiring Laws Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Purchase of Land (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, adjourned the House without Question put, it being then twenty-five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

Wednesday, 4th September, 1895.

THE House met at Twelve of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petition.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge (Appointment as Commander in Chief.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her that She will be pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Letters Patent issued under the Great Seal appointing H.R.H. the Duke of *Cambridge* to be Commander-in-Chief.—(Mr. *James Lowther*.)

Navy (Health.) No. 464.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Navy (Health), which was presented upon the 3rd day of this instant September, be printed.

Charitable Endowments (London.) No. 465.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Charitable Endowments (*London*), which was presented upon the 3rd day of this instant September, be printed.

East India (Staff Corps Officers.)

Secretary Lord *George Hamilton* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 2nd day of this instant September, for a Return relative to *East India* (Staff Corps Officers).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Rule of the Road at Sea.

Mr. *Ritchie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report, with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices, of the Committee appointed by the President of the Board of Trade on the Screening of Ships' Side Lights.

Tramway and Gas and Water Orders.

Copy of Report by the Board of Trade of their Proceedings under "The Tramways Act, 1870," and "The Gas and Water Works Facilities Act, 1870," during the Session of 1895.

Gas Undertakings. No. 466.

Mr. *Ritchie* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of May in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom, other than those of Local Authorities, for the year ended the 31st day of December 1894 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 286, of Session 1894.)

Gas Undertakings (Local Authorities.) No. 467.

Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of May in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return relating to all authorised Gas Undertakings in the United Kingdom belonging to Local Authorities for the year ended the 25th day of March 1895 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 287, of Session 1894).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Returns relative to Gas Undertakings and Gas Undertakings (Local Authorities) be printed.

South Australia.

Mr. Secretary *Chamberlain* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between the Government of *South Australia* and the Colonial Office on the Question of reducing the Salary and Emoluments of future Governors of that Colony.

Copy

South African Republic.

Copy of Papers relating to the Grievances of Her Majesty's *Indian* Subjects in the *South African* Republic.

Queensland.

Copy of Further Correspondence relating to *Polynesian* Labour in the Colony of *Queensland* (in continuation of [C. 7000] April 1893).

Colonial Reports (Annual.)

Copy of Annual Report for 1894, No. 147 (*Falkland Islands*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Explosions (Quarter Colliery, Stirlingshire.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Secretary of State by *Charles J. Guthrie*, Esquire, Advocate, and *John M. Ronaldson*, Esquire, Her Majesty's Inspector of Mines, on the circumstances attending an Explosion which occurred at *Quarter* Colliery, *Denny, Stirlingshire*, on 26th April last.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Larne and Stranraer Mail Service.

Mr. *Hanbury* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of August last, for a Return relative to the *Larne* and *Stranraer* Mail Service.

Post Office Savings Banks (Regulations.)

Mr. *Hanbury* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Post Office Annuity and Insurance Regulations, 1895.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Occupations of the People (England and Wales) Enumerated in 1871, 1881, and 1891.

No. 468.

Mr. *Chaplin* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of March, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Numbers of Males and Females (distinguishing those Aged under and over Twenty years) enumerated in *England* and *Wales* at each of the three Censuses in 1871, 1881, and 1891 under the various occupational headings in the Census Reports for those years, corrected as far as possible for changes in the System of Classification adopted at these successive Censuses; the figures for 1881 and 1871 corrected and adjusted so as to make them as nearly as possible comparable with those of 1891. All ascertained changes adopted in the Classification of Occupations in 1881 and 1891 to be fully noted in the Return, even if the change is of such a character as to render correction of the figures for such changes impossible.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge (Appointment as Commander in Chief.)

No. 469.

Mr. *Brodrick* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of this instant September, for a Return relative to H.R.H. the Duke of *Cambridge* (Appointment as Commander-in-Chief).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sittings of the House.

Resolved, That this House do meet To-morrow, at Ten of the clock.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 7, agreed to.
Schedules A and B, agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

East India Revenue Accounts.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on *East India* Revenue Accounts.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That it appears by the Accounts laid before this House, that the Total Revenue of *India* for the year ending the 31st day of March 1894 was Rx. 90,565,214; that the Total Expenditure in *India* and in *England* charged against the Revenue was Rx. 92,112,212; that there was an Excess of Expenditure over Revenue of Rx. 1,546,998; and that the Capital Outlay on Railways and Irrigation Works was Rx. 3,621,252.—(Secretary Lord *George Hamilton*.)

Amendment proposed, to add, at the end of the Question, the words "but it further appears "that these Accounts are inaccurate and mis-"leading as regards the net amount of public "debt incurred."—(Sir *William Wedderburn*.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *James William Lowther* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Telegraphs (South and East Africa.)

Resolved, That the Agreements (1) dated the 9th day of July 1895, between the Treasury, the Colonial Government of the *Cape of Good Hope* and *Natal*, and the *British South Africa* Company respectively, and the *Eastern* and *South African* Telegraph Company; (2) dated the 10th day of July 1895, between the Treasury and the same Telegraph Company, providing for a Reduction in the Charges for Telegrams between *South Africa*, certain Places on the East Coast of *Africa*, *Mauritius*, and *Seychelles* on the one hand, and *Europe* on the other, be approved.—(Mr. *Hanbury*.)

Waterford (West Waterford Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Waterford* (West Division), in the room of *Alfred Webb*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said County hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke, Desborough*, and *Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.—(Mr. *Donal Sullivan*.)

Whereupon Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of the Order of the House of the 19th day of this instant August, adjourned the House without Question put, it being then half an hour after Four of the clock, till To-morrow.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

By virtue of an Act passed in the Twenty-fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled, "An Act to repeal so much of two Acts made in the tenth and fifteenth years of the reign of His present Majesty, as authorises the Speaker of the House of Commons to issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown for making out Writs for the Election of Members to serve in Parliament, in the manner therein mentioned, and for substituting other provisions for the like purpose";

I do hereby nominate, appoint, and authorise—

The Right Honourable Sir *John Mowbray*, Baronet,

The Right Honourable Sir *George Osborne Morgan*, Baronet,

The Right Honourable *Leonard Henry Courtney*,
The Right Honourable *John William Mellor*,
Sir *John Edward Dorington*, Baronet,
Arthur O'Connor, Esquire, and
James Alexander Campbell, Esquire,

being Members of the House of Commons, or any one or more of them, to execute all and singular the Powers given to the Speaker of the House of Commons for the time being, for issuing Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown, in the cases as in the said Act specified.

Given under my hand and seal, this Fourth day of September, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

WILLIAM COURT GULLY,
Speaker.

(L. S.)

Thursday, 5th September, 1895.

THE House met at Ten of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Message from the Lords.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Canadian Speaker (Appointment of Deputy) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Canadian* Speaker (Appointment of Deputy) Bill, without Amendment.

Expiring Laws Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, without Amendment.

Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Bill, without Amendment.

Public Works Loans Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Works Loans Bill, without Amendment.

Purchase of Land (Ireland) Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

Education Provisional Order (London) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Education Provisional Order (*London*) Bill, without Amendment.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Provisional Orders (No. 16) Bill be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Building Societies Act, 1894. No. 470.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Building Societies' Act, 1894, which was presented upon the 2nd day of this instant September, be printed.

Larne and Stranraer Mail Service. No. 471.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Larne* and *Stranraer* Mail Service, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant September, be printed.

East India (Staff Corps Officers.) No. 472.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Staff Corps Officers), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant September, be printed.

Agriculture (Royal Commission.)

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports by Assistant Commissioners of the Royal Commission on Agriculture, *viz.*, by Mr. *A. Wilson Fox*, on the County of *Cumberland*, and by Mr. *R. Henry Rew* on the County of *Norfolk*.

County Courts (Plaints and Sittings.) No. 473.

Secretary Sir *Matthew White Ridley* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 2nd day of this instant September, for Returns relative to County Courts (Plaints and Sittings) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 289, of Session 1894).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to County Courts (Plaints and Sittings), be printed.

Court of Probate Division) (High Court of Justice) (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hanbury* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Annual Account of Receipts and Disbursements of the Probate Division of the High Court of Justice in *Ireland* for the year ended 31st December 1894.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Turkey (No. 1, 1895.)

Mr. *Curzon* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the *Asiatic* Provinces of *Turkey*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Local Government Act, 1888.

Mr. *Chaplin* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made by the County Councils of various Counties in *England* and *Wales* under the Local Government Act, 1888, and confirmed by the Local Government Board.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Vaccination (Scotland.)

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-ninth Detailed Annual Report of the Registrar General on the Births, Deaths, and Mariages in *Scotland* (Abstracts of 1893).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Endowed Charities (Devon.) No. 474.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order dated the 13th day of February 1894, for a Copy of Digest of the Endowed Charities in the County of *Devon*, the particulars of which are recorded in the Books of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*, but are not recorded in the General Digest of Endowed Charities for that County, 1865-67 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 91, of Session 1869).

Endowed Charities (Hertford.) No. 475.

Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of August last, for a Return relative to Endowed Charities (*Hertford*) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 433 (7), of Session 1868).

Endowed Charities (Westmoreland.) No. 476.

Return to an Order, dated the 23rd day of August last, for a Return relative to Endowed Charities (*Westmoreland*) (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 433 (21), of Session 1868).

West Riding of Yorkshire Rivers Act, 1894.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Rules made in pursuance of Section 14, Subsection (4) of the West Riding of *Yorkshire* Rivers Act, 1894.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Endowed Charities (*Devon*), Endowed Charities (*Hertford*), and Endowed Charities (*Westmoreland*), be printed.

Parliamentary Papers. No. 477.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—List of the Bills, Reports, Estimates, and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House, and of Papers presented by Command, Session 2, 1895, with a General Alphabetical Index thereto, 26th Parliament, First Session, 59 *Vic.* 12th August 1895 to 5th September 1895.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

The

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without Amendment.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by *Thomas Dacres Butler*, Esquire, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commissions for declaring Her Royal Assent to the several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commissions read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and the Lords, thereby authorised, declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

1. Appropriation Act, 1895, Session 2.
2. Public Works Loans Act, 1895, Session 2.
3. Expiring Laws Continuance Act, 1895, Session 2.
4. Public Offices (Acquisition of Site) Act, 1895, Session 2.
5. *Canadian* Speaker (Appointment of Deputy) Act, 1895, Session 2.
6. Purchase of Land (*Ireland*) Amendment Act, 1895, Session 2.
7. Gas Orders Confirmation Act, 1895.
8. Gas and Water Orders Confirmation Act, 1895.
9. Education Department Provisional Order Confirmation (*London*) Act, 1895.
10. Pier and Harbour Orders Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1895.
11. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 3) Act, 1895.
12. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 7) Act, 1895.
13. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 10) Act, 1895.
14. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 14) Act, 1895.
15. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 15) Act, 1895.
16. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 16) Act, 1895.
17. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 17) Act, 1895.
18. Local Government Board's Provisional Orders Confirmation (No. 18) Act, 1895.
19. Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 19) Act, 1895.
20. Local Government Board's Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 20) Act, 1895.
21. Military Lands Provisional Order Confirmation (No. 2) Act, 1895.

Parliament Prorogued.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read.

After which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

By virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in Her Majesty's Name, and in obedience to Her Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Monday the Eighteenth day of November next, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Monday the Eighteenth day of November next.